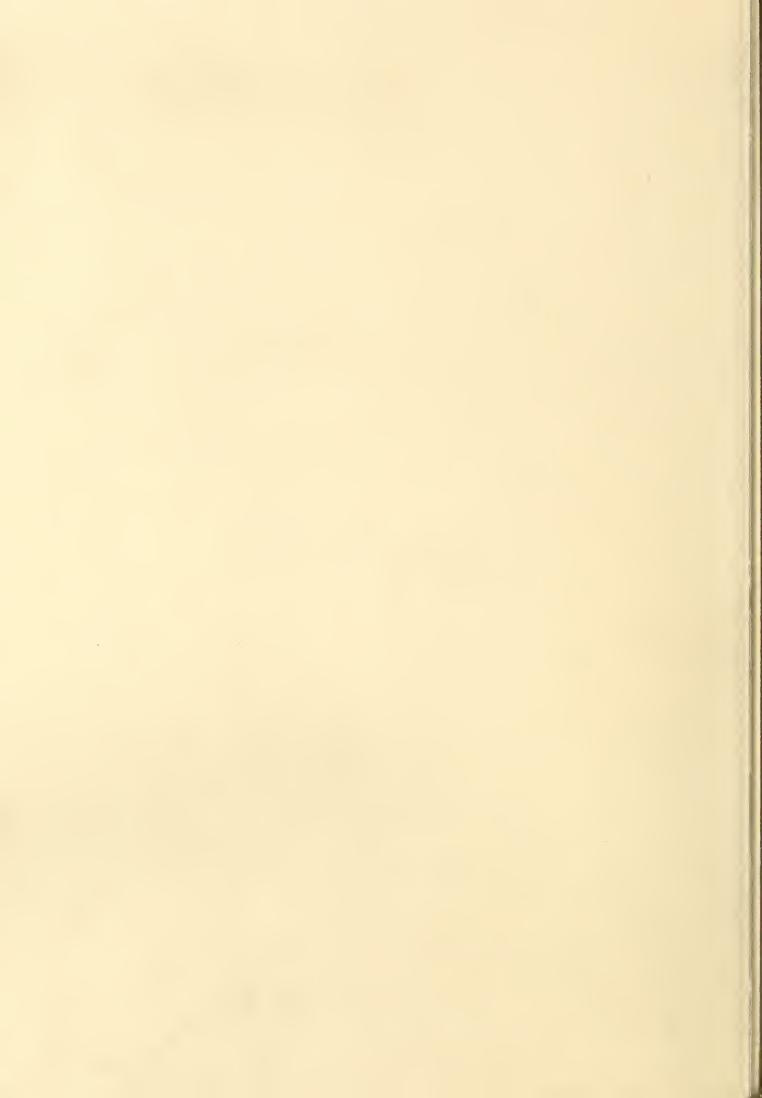
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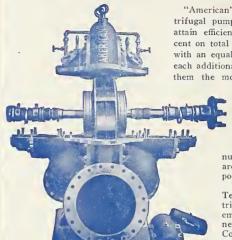
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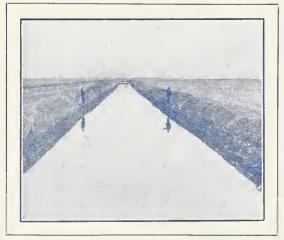
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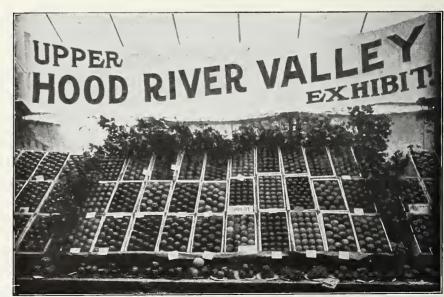
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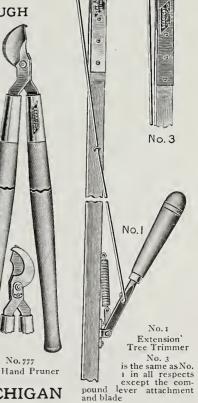
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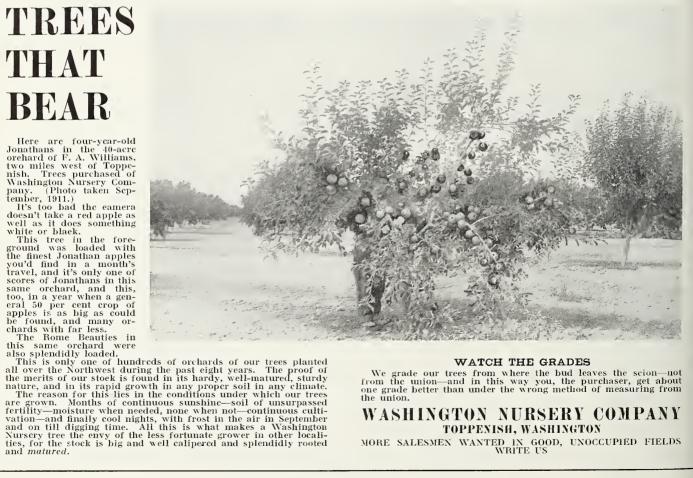
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Estimate of 1911 Apple Crop of United States and Canada

From The Packer, August 19, 1911

THE report of the International Apple Shippers' Association, issued by Secretary R. G. Phillips, shows the apple crop in the United States and Canada, based upon reports from the members of the association, to be as follows. (If a state is reported at 175 per cent it means that state has 75 per cent more than a year ago, and if at 60 per cent it has 40 per cent less, if at 100 per cent it indicates a crop of equal proportions, and if at 200 per cent a crop twice as large is indicated.) Percentage compared with 1910 crop:

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New England Group	Percent	Quality
Maine		Fair to good
New Hampshire	50	Fair to good
Vermont		Fair to good
Massachusetts	75	Fair to good
Rhode Island		Fair
Connecticut		Fair
Central Group		
New York	150	Good
New Jersey	180	Good
Pennsylvania		Good
Ohio	140	Poor to good
Michigan		Fair to good
Wisconsin		Fair to good
Southern Group		
Maryland	150	Fair to good
Virginia		Fair to good
West Virginia		Fair to good
Kentucky		Poor
Tennessee		Fair
Middle Western Group		
Indiana		Fair to good
Illinois		Poor to good
Minnesota		Good
Missouri		Poor to good
Arkansas		Fair to good
Iowa	300	Fair to good
Nebraska	130	Fair to good
Kansas		Poor to good
Oklahoma	150	Fair to good
Pacific Coast Group		
Colorado		Good
Utah		Good
Idaho		Good
Washington		Good
Oregon	60	Good Good
California	200	Good
New Mexico	200	0000
British Columbia	95	Good
Ontario		Fair to good
Nova Scotia	300	Fair to good
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An examination of the report of Secretary R. G. Phillips will show as follows:

New England Group—Decreases are noted, especially in New Hampshire and Massachusetts, with a substantial increase occurring only in the unimportant State of Rhode Island. This group as a whole, however, indicates a decline from last year of from 15 to 18 per cent.

The Central Group—This large and very important group shows a most substantial increase throughout, with quality generally good and better than for some time. This group indicates an increase from last year of more than 60 per cent.

The Southern Group—A decline will occur in this section, due to a falling off in the important State of Virginia.

This decline will to a considerable extent be offset by the excellent showing in Maryland and the prospect in West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee being unimportant factors. The group as a whole indicates a decrease of a little more than 20 per cent.

The Middle Western Group—This very important section, with the sole exception of Kansas, shows a heavy increase over a year ago. This section was generally light last year, and in some states a failure. An increase of 80 to 85 per cent is now indicated for this group.

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Pacific Coast Group—The important States of Washington and Oregon show a considerable decrease over a year ago, with California showing a lighter decrease and Colorado a very substantial increase. Taking the section as a whole, and including New Mexico, which this year has a very favorable promise, this group now indicates a decrease of from 5 to 10 per cent.

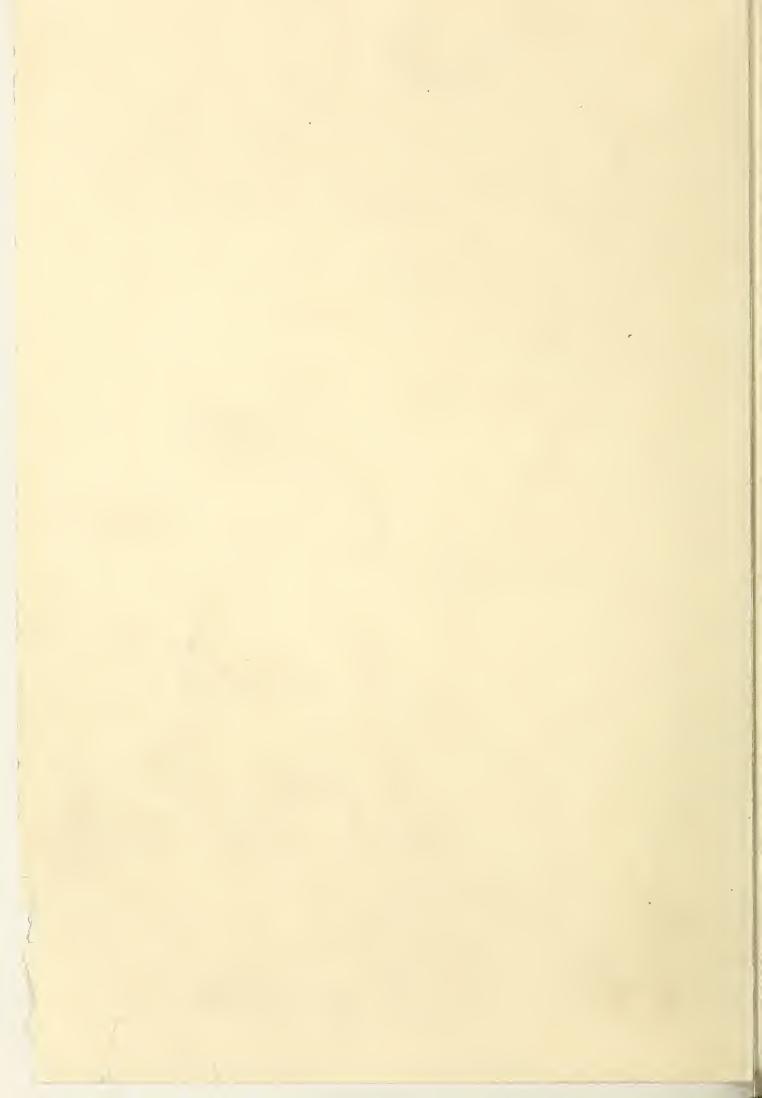
Canada—The important eastern sections, including the Provinces of Ontario and Nova Scotia, show a very substantial increase over last year, amounting to fully 100 per cent, with generally good quality.

Quality—The only complaint of importance is on size in parts of the Southern and Middle Western groups, and varying even here from under to normal, in other respects good. With sufficient rainfall the matter of size should be largely remedied. Diseases, worms, etc., are under better control than ever, and care and spraying have increased greatly. On the whole a good quality is indicated.

Quantity—Declines are shown in New England, the Southern and Pacific Coast groups. The great Central and Middle Western groups show large increases, together with the Provinces of Ontario and Nova Scotia. In the United States there is now in sight fully 30 per cent more apples than a year ago, or more than 4,000,000 barrels of commercial fruit more than a year ago. Canada indicates an increase of more than 1,300,000 barrels, making for the two countries practically 5,500,000 barrels in excess of a year ago, or around 35 per cent of increase.

As bearing upon this year's deal, the exports from the United States and Canada during the last two years are important. The figures compiled by the Canadian government and United States statisticians vary, a large part of it caused no doubt by Canadian apples passing through the port of Portland. Maine. The Canadian figures show a decrease in exports from that country in 1910-11 over 1909-10 of 1,080,819. Figures compiled in New York show the decrease at 884,798. The short crop in Ontario and Nova Scotia last year accounts for this decrease. This year these provinces have sufficient fruit in sight at this time to bring Canadian exports back to the normal level. The exports from the United States increased last year between 400,000 and 650,000 barrels, largely because of the Canadian shortage, and afforded the needed assistance to carry the deal through safely. The ice was exceedingly thin last year and bent badly at

It should be borne in mind that last year the shortage of early fruit in the Central group allowed such states as Virginia to clean up early and started winter fruit from all sections into consumption at an unusually early date. This year there are large quantities of early and fall fruit to be first consumed. Your attention is also called to the fact that there are apples in every state where there are trees. There is no failure in any section, There is now in sight far more than enough of everything to go around and conservative views should prevail. The figures we have given are most conservative; they are understated in many instances, and with normal conditions from now on the crop will increase rather than decrease. Rains have fallen generally over the country and conditions may be said to be very favorable.



General Statistics About the Fruit Industry and Sources from which Obtained

Collegied by J. C. Skinner, Secretary of the Hood River Commercial Club, credit being given to the various sources from which the information was obtained

PRODUCTION OF APPLES IN THE UNITED STATES, BY STATES, IN 1889 AND 1899, AND NUMBER OF TREES OF BEARING AGE IN 1890 AND 1900, AS REPORTED BY THE ELEVENTH (1890) AND TWELFTH (1900) CENSUSES

Attention is called to the right-hand column. The increased setting of apples began as far back as 1882 and has continued in many states annually. Please note the decreased production in the estimate for 1911 of the different states. Maine and Rhode Island are the only states that show an increased estimate for 1911 as compared with the production in 1899, among the states east of the Rocky Mountains. Missouri is reported as having 20,040,390 bearing trees, with an estimate for the year 1911 of 1,033,500 bushels. Of course this is an oll year, but if you consider 1911 an off year you might as well consider 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909 and 1910 off years, as the general production in the United States was not much greater in any one of these years. In 1889 the United States had 120,152,795 apple trees of bearing age, which produced 143,105,689 bushels, about one and one-sixth bushels per tree. In 1899 the United Stales contained 201,794,642 trees and produced 175,397,600 bushels, or three-quarters of a bushel per tree. While the number of Irees is not known for the year 1910, it is probably safe to estimate that the number has increased as much or even more from 1899 to 1910, which would probably mean that there are 300,-000,000 apple trees. Yet in the year 1910, according to the following table, the ecop amounted to 23,825,000 barrels or 71,475,000 bushels, which would make the average production per tree one-quarter of a bushel. All of these statements are simply conclusions from the statistics published herewith, which you can ligure out for yourselves. It seems evident that any orchard district or any state which averages from only seven-eighths of a bushel in the year 1899 to one-quarter of a bushel in

	Tries of bearing age 1890	Production 1889	Trees of beoring siye 1900	Production 1899	Productima
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North Dulcota	65	Б		Bushyls	*Busbyts
SULU DUKOD	16,298	1,522	2,351	1,273	******
NCD HSKD	1,283,367		165,301	17,12(
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Kenlucky	5,730,144	3,713,019	11,818,070	3,214,107	348,000
Tennesse	5 190 Inn	10,679,389	8,757,238	6,053,717	3,090,000
Alabamo	5,020,100	7,283,945	7,714,053	5,387,775	2,175,000
Miss(sslppi	780,657	1,238,734	2,015,711	519,175	
Conisiona	357,309	605,368	705,796	249,035	
Texas	101,848	117,748	138,833	68,735	
Ipplian Territory		742,993	1, 184,846	591,985	
Oldahour	******		677,068	222,565	
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Montona	10,960	5,896	530,976	13,939	70.00,000
Wyoning	370	43	9,234	989	
Coloroto	77,798	70,728	2,004,895	257,563	
New Mexico	40,116	35,192	483,157	142,332	
Arizona	2,296	1,973	(5,996	13,171	
Ulah	112,396	55,633	715,778	189.882	
Nevado	27,167	30,083	83,393	10,760	
Idalio	96,497	88,296	982,349	223,662	
Witshingon	315,479	295,196	2,735,821	728,978	*****
Oregon	1,268,395	1,038, (92	2,825,898	873,980	
California	1,269,78 (1,651,636	2,878,169	3, (88,208	
Unlbol States	120,152,795	143,105,689	201,594,642	175.397 6nn	E4 509 50

the year 1910 is not a paying proposition, and it seems evident also that the following conclusion must be drawn by any individual who will take the pains to carefully study these statistics that there must be an immense area planted to apples throughout the United States which from 1899 to 1910 has been a losing proposition. This is a self-evident fact. What may be the cause is another matter, but it is evident that there are causes in many sections to account for this small average. In other words, the soil is not suited to apple culture, climatic conditions are not right, or the orchards have received a woeful lack of aftention. It may be any one or two of these three or all three combined. There are many sections and some stales where the trees have averaged from five to len bushels per tree, such being the case in many districts throughout the Northwest, and if this is true it also musl be evident that many sections and some states have produced far less than the average part of a bushel per tree, which has varied from seven-eighths to onequarter of a bushel during the last eleven years. In conclusion, each state, each district will be forced in the future to work out the problem for itself as to whether apple growing is a remunerative industry or whelher it is conducted with a financial loss. All states in the Union are not adapted to the production of all products of the soil. Southern states are celebrated for their cotton and sugar. The Middle Western states for grain and corn. Some states are adapted to general farming, and only portions of all the states are adapted to fruit growing, the necessary combination of soil and climate being found in somewhat limited areas.

APPLE CROPS, EXPRESSED IN BARRELS, OF THE UNITED STATES, BY STATES, FROM 1899 TO 1910, INCLUSIVE

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United Stales	58,466,000	37,460,000	56,820,000	26,950,000	16,625,000	42,626,000	45,360,000	2 (,310,000	38,280,000	29,540,000	25,850,000	25,115,000	23,823,000	

If the reader will take the pains, in the above table from 1906 to 1910, covering a period of five years, he can draw some very interesting conclusions, which we have not the space in this issue to deal with in detail. However, we suggest that you take any one state, for convenience, and if the crop averages pretty evenly during this five-year period, the conclusion for the state would be that the average crop was fair. Whenever you notice that a state shows a continual decrease in yield, it seems that one would be justified in drawing the conclusion that something is wrong with that particular state as an apple-producing section. However, it must be remembered that increased settings in some states may account for an increased production, and until the statistics are available showing the actual number of trees in each slate according to the 1910 census it is impossible to estimate the actual average per tree in any one state. In Oregon and Washington the setting previous to the year 1903 was small as compared with the setting from 1903 to date, and the setting from 1903 to date had not materially affected the quantity until the year 1910, as the trees set in 1903 would be only seven years old in 1910. Colorado began setting extensively a little earlier than either Oregon or Washington. Idaho commenced setting in an increased way about the same time as Oregon and Washington. The setting in California has been comparatively small from 1906 to 1910, compared with the Northwestern states. Missouri had more apple trees in 1899 than any other state in the Union, but il does not show that the state increased in yield

corresponding to the setting. Now, one cannot absolutely judge all parts of a state from the average per tree in any one state, and in some states it is sofe to assume there are certain sections where the average production runs from live to ten bushels to the tree. In other states it must be evident from the statistics, from which you can verify this information, that many sections produce only an average of a bushel or less per tree. The final conclusion on our part is that the apple-growing business is going through the matter of evolution, and it must be evident to the reader that many states have set in many sections apple orchards where, from one cause or another, the business is conducted at a loss, and in such localities there can be no question but what the apple business will be discontinued. On the other hand, in the favored sections and favored states where the apple business is prosperous and the trees show a good average yield, the business will not only continue, but will increase, and we believe the areas that will go out of the apple business will probably be as large as the areas that will go into it, and consequently in the following years the production of apples will just about conlinue to be as it has been in the past, and that is, the supply will equal the demand, but the localities from which the supplies will come will gradually change. The states or the districts in the states where it does not pay will dig up their orchards (in many sections this has been done already), and the states or sections where the average is good will continue to increase their settings.

FRUIT IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, 1895 TO 1910

	1895	1896	1897	1898	1899	1900	1901	1902	1903	1905	1905	1906	1907	1908	1909
Bunauas, bunches—Imports	15,500,000	15,000,000	13,000,000	11,000,000	18.800.000	18,000,000	19,500,000	22,000,000	25,500,000	21,000,000	29,700,000	30,990,000	35,650,000	35,000,000	
Nuts-Imports											3,350,000	1,000,000	5,40D,000	6,300,000	6,150,000
Oranges, hoxes—Imports	2.167.000	2.023,000	2,520,000	961.000	1,192,000	1.111.000	8 10.000	880,000	950.000	600,000	183,000	518,000	355,000	307,000	141,000
Exports			* * * * * * * * *	136,000	113,000			168,300	186,200	295,800	371,700	444,400	502,000	654,300	866,800
Pouns, pranes, dried, lbs.—Imports.	1(3.500)	483,600	710,000	301.000	600.300	143.500	746,000	522,500	633,800	494,000	671,600	497,500	323,400	335,100	
Prunes, stried, 16s.— Exports				15,900,000	5,600,000	26,000,000	10,000,000	23.300.000	66,400,000	53,100,000	55,000,000	24,900,000	1 (,500,000	28,100,000	22,600,000
Dates, Ibs.—Imports	15.186.000	-13.580.000	11.815.000	13.561.000	12,943,000	19,902,500	18, 135, 000	20.011.000	21.681.000	21,058,000	19,257,DDO	22,136,000	31,271,000	25,000,000	22,000,000
Figs, dripd, ths.—imports	$\pm 11.855.000$	T1.900.D00	8.940.000	9.630.000	7.281.000	8.800,000	9.900.000	11,000,000	16,500,000	13,200,000	13,100,000	15,563,000	2 (,346,000	18,836,000	15,235,000
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Exports		4 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7		3,100,000	1,500,000	2.400.000	3.500.000	2.300.000	1,300,000	1,000,000			9,100,000	5,700,000	7,900,000
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Cider, gals,—Imports						2,500					8,700	13,600	8,000	9,800	9,500
13Aports personal relationships	650,000	373,000	638,000	166,000	190,000	183,000			598,000	715,000	395,000	3-(-1,000	198,000	173,000	88,000
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Apples, fresh, bbls.—Exports	820,00D		1,500,000	600,000							1,500,000	1,200,000	1,500,000	1,000,000	890,000
Grapes, cubic ft.—Imports													-1,300,000	2,230,000	1,200,000

The above table will prove very interesting and is deserving of careful study. For instance, take the imports of pranges: In 1895 the United States imported 2,167,000 boxes; in 1909 the importations had fallen to 141,000. In 1897 there were no exports of oranges from the United States, but in 1909 they amounted to 866,800

boxes. If you will carry out the same deductions with reference to the other fruits mentioned you will find equally interesting information. The deductions you can make as simply as we can make them for you, for when the ligures are analyzed il will be found that the table explains itself.

NUMBER AND AGE OF APPLE TREES IN HOOD RIVER Totals94,250 Grand total, 377,676. Hydes Keeper Stark Gano Winesap Winesap Winter Banana Salome Winter Pippin Natkma Nagener Nagener Nagener Nagener Nagener Nagener Nagener Nagener Nagener CHICAGO Oct. 25 25,500 5.00 27,500 5.00 2,200 65.00 2,000 67.15 1,500 67.15 1,500 67.15 1,500 67.15 1,600 27.00 1,500 67.15 1,600 27.00 1.00@3.00 3.50@6.00 2.00@4.00 2.00@3.502.00 @ 3.502.00@ 1.00 Compiled from Sources 1.25@3.00 3.00@4.00 2.00@3.00 1.50@3.00 2.50@4.00 2.00@4.25 1.00@4.25 1.75@3.50 1.25@2.75-1.50@3.00-1.75@3.00-3.00@4.50 1.50@3.25

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California Fruit, Vegetable and Wine Statistics

From Report of California Development League for 1911

EXPORTS by sea of California fruit and vegetables from San Francisco to foreign countries: Amount

Prunes, pounds	.36,586,765	\$2,117,652
Raisins, pounds	. 6,146,480	307,133
Apricots, pounds	. 4,988,215	562,622
Peaches, pounds	. 3,053,735	132,047
Apples, dried, pounds	. 1,522,954	121,836
Apples, green, boxes	20,683	41,366
Oranges, boxes	. 16,694	38,858
Fruits		153,835
Canned fruit, cases		1,795,890
Nuts		152,479
Beans, cases	. 33,703	108,672
Onions, cases	96 059	
Onions, cases	. 26,853	22,929
Potatoes, cases	51,527	40,852
Vegetables, canned		289,788
Vegetables, all other		61,305
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Exports by sea of California fruit, vegetables and wine from San Francisco to other states and non-contiguous territory:

To Alaska	Amount	Value
Fruit, dried and green,		
pounds	835,543	\$ 27,050
Fruit, canned and pressed,	,	+
cases	758	32,198
Nuts		8,291
Dairy produce		129,270
Vegetables		14,403
Wine, cases	8,485	7,115
To Tutuita	0,100	7,110
Fruit, dried and green		38
Fruit, canned, cases	880	3,641
Dairy products		283
Vegetables		1,571
Wine, gallons	146	165
To Atlantic Stales	110	100
Fruit, dried, pounds	23,372,837	918,225
Fruit, canned, cases	371.221	1,113,663
Winc and brandy, gallons	8.421.288	2,575,592
Beans, pounds	11 172 251	670,335
To Hawaii	1,114,201	070,000
Fruits, green, dried and		
canned, pounds	4,123,045	225,957
Dairy products		379,172
Vcgetables		220,202
Wine, gallons	866,311	350,859
To Oregon and Washing		550,055
Fruits, green, dried and	· OI	
canned, pounds	9,879,000	765,000
Vegetables	3,073,000	900,000
Dairy produce		150,000
war j product		100,000

The shipments of citrus fruits from California for the season November

1, 1909, to October 31, 1910, while nearly 9,000 carloads less than the one ending 1909, were yet greater than in any year previous. They totaled 33,099 carloads, of which 25,331 carloads of oranges and 4,674 carloads of lemons went from south of Tehachapi. The balance, 2,789 carloads, went from Central and Northern California. The Tulare district sending 2,220 carloads of oranges and 110 carloads of lemons; the northern district furnished the rest, 439 carloads. The shipments were by freight and exclusive of what was marketed within the state and those shipped East by express. The development of the citrus industry in California, which now amounts to between 13,000,000 and 18,000,000 boxes, is nearly three times as great as all the other states combined. The fruit distributing associations and others furnish statistics of shipments of deciduous fruits to Eastern markets for the year 1910, as given in the table herewith. As the varieties are shown they add to the value of the tables of shipments. The figures are for actual carloads without regard to tons in a car. The minimum fixed by the railway companies now is fifteen tons, but a carload is often thirty tons. Shipments from north of Tehachapi, 1908-10:

Varieties	1908	1909	-1910
Cherries	2081/4	250	250
Apricots	231 3/4	210	290
Peaches	1,9801/4	2,599	2,518
Plums and prunes	1,763	1,526	1,552
Pears	2,7011/2	2,638	2,361
Grapes	3,8161/4	5,880	4,948
Apples	2,216	2,188	2,153
Totals1	12,917	15,261	11,072

TABLE A—OUTPUT OF DRIED FRUITS, IN TONS, NOT INCLUDING PRUNES AND RAISINS, FOR THE YEARS 1900 TO 1910

Year	Peaches	Anricots	Annles	Pears	Plume	tarines	Granes	Fias
	 17 170	14,000		7,275				2,000
		7,776	3,225	3,290		317		3,260
		18,762	4,875	2,625	1,280	455	188	3,625
1903	 16,075	10,500	1,800	2,325	1,435	317	205	3,000
1904	 11,500	8,500	1,500	1,750	1,150	210	170	2,850
1905	 17,500	19,250	3,250	1,750	930	185	193	3,625
1906	 11,250	3,250	2,750	3,500	1,100	170	200	3,375
1907	 12,000	1,500	1,500	500	750	137	188	3,000
1908	 . 22,500	19,000	3,000	1,200	1,000	350	1500	3,000
		14,500	2,500	1,250		375	325	3,500
1910	 25,000	16,000	3,100	1,000	375	250	350	3,775

TABLE B—IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF CALIFORNIA RAISINS AND OTHER CURED FRUITS AND ORANGES, 1905 TO 1910

	****	D OILLIAM	J, 1000 10 1	010		
Imports	1905	1906	1907	1908	1909	1910
Raisins, pounds	11,511,347	4,537,648	9,927,771	4,875,693	5,219,649	3,022,918
Exports		0 - 10 000			0.000.04	
Raisins, pounds		9,749,690	4,720,606	7,084,178	8,363,845	15,547,074
Apricots, pounds		3,268,457	1,540,471	14,463,948	13,644,135	18,366,055
Peaches, pounds	700,902	1,819,863	1,354,317	1,296,095	2,843,968	4,946,406
Prunes, pounds	34,820,748	31,777,704	37,674,800	18,087,319	83,128,101	64,470,370
Oranges, boxes				714,365	952,869	962,229

TABLE C—OUTPUT OF CALIFORNIA CANNED FRUIT AND BERRIES, IN CASES, FOR THE YEARS 1908, 1909 AND 1910

1908—All	Grades	1909All	Grades	1910—All	Grades
2½s and 3s	8s (gals.)	21/2s and 3s	8s (gals.)	$2\frac{1}{2}$ s and 3s	8s (gals.)
Apples 6,100	31,600	7,375	62,600	6,280	70,550
Apricots	125,650	563,660	100,450	554,530	198,630
Blackberries 43,250	44,300	22,625	27,330	26,425	35,600
Cherries, Royal Ann 100,700	5,000	110,250	7,450	123,240	13,050
Cherries, black 39,200	1,525	16,700	1,375	18,110	1,510
Cherries, white 52,100	3,630	51,640	4,520	33,410	5,875
Grapes 37,620	7,925	20,105	4,365	39,285	6,360
Loganberries 1,029	1,371	3,204	808	6,977	5,662
Nectarines 1,502	171		14		1
Pears 611,500	29,050	466,530	34,910	568,125	51,230
Peaches, freestone 838,400	136,950	401,800	145,375	553,000	195,825
Peaches, cling1,240,350	87,260	779,725	109,260	1,233,200	163,425
Plums 209,300	30,525	75,450	13,975	65,550	14,810
Raspberries 5,365	585	3,375	215	9,335	791
Strawberries 4,960	820	9,690	890	13,225	848
Other fruits	1,053	700	635	2,250	1,400
Total cases	507,415	2,532,829	514,172	3,242,942	765,607 4,008,549
Grand totals	4,734,663		3,047,001		1,000,040

While the above table gives but 2,153 carloads as the total shipments of apples from the state for the year 1910, the secretary of the Watsonville Commercial League places the shipments from Pajaro Valley at 4,000 carloads.

Nearly all kinds of deciduous fruits are dried for the market, but prunes, peaches and apricots are the most important. The dried output of all, except figs, varies largely according to the season, the demand of the Eastern market for fresh fruit and the prices offered by the canners. (See Table A.)

Of dried fruits, prunes come next in importance to raisins. Prunes are grown in many counties throughout the state; the largest center of this industry is the Santa Clara Valley. A good many prunes are grown in the San Joaquin and Sacramento Valleys, and also in Contra Costa and Sonoma Counties. The output varies largely in different years. The most reliable figures place the output for 1910 at 45,000 lons, or half the production of 1906. California prune output, 1897-1910:

Year	Tons	Year	Tons
1897	48,840	1904	67,500
1898	45,210	1905	37,500
1899	56,863	1906	90,000
1900	87,000	1907	40,000
1901	40,800	1908	25,000
1902	98,500	1909	77,500
1903	82,500	1910	45,000

The accompanying exhibit is of some interest in this connection as showing the trend of trade in dried fruits. (See Table B.)

The quantity of fruit which is exported depends to a certain extent on the size of the crop. For example, the prune crop for 1910 is estimated at about 74,000,000 pounds, as compared with 150,000,000 the previous year, which was one of the largest on record. The apricot crop also varies greatly.

The canning of fruit and vegetables is an important industry in California, and the yearly output of canned goods is very large. The aggregate number of cases of all kinds of fruit and berries canned in 1909 was nearly a million and three-quarter cases less than in 1908, but was larger than for any previous year. The demand for fresh fruit at home and for shipping takes a large quantity of fruit that would otherwise go to the canner.

The accompanying exhibit, by courtesy of the "California Fruit Grower," is made of the various kinds of fruit canned in 1908, 1909 and 1910. (See Table B.)

It is given by same authority that the aggregate amount of canned fruit and berries for 1910 amounted to 4,058,549 cases.

The following table shows the production of canned fruits during the last ten years:

Year	Cases	Year	Cases
1901	2,677,082	1906	3,109,225
1902	2,252,790	1907	
1903	2,783,504	1908	
1904	2,840,614	1909	3,047,001
1905	3,283,296	1910	4,008,549

California is easily the most important factor in viticulture in the United States, and grape culture is one of the most widespread industries in the state, 342,519 acres, according to the State Board of Equalization, being devoted

to the industry, of which 160,573 acres are in wine grapes, 128,217 acres in raisin grapes and 53,729 acres in table grapes, which is being increased every year, especially of lable grapes. All varieties of the European grapes are included, besides many California developments therefrom. The annual value of the grape product, including table grapes, dried grapes and raisins, and wine and brandy, aggregates over \$25,000,000. The shipments of table grapes out of the state by rail for 1910 amounted to 4,948 carloads. The center of the raisin industry is in Fresno County, although raisins are produced in other parts of the state. The crop varies from year to year, as the appended table shows; that for 1910 exceeds the average of the six preceding years. California raisin crop for fourteen years:

Year			Tons
1897	46,852	1904	37,500
1898		1905	43,750
1899	35,784	1906	47,500
1900		1907	60,000
1901		1908	60,000
1902		1909	70,000
1903	60,000	1910	56,000

Following is the raisin product, in pounds, of twelve California counties for 1909:

Fresno	. 83,404,000
Tulare	. 20,000,000
Kings	
Sutter	4,500,000
San Bernardino	3,600,000
San Diego	3,200,000
Madera	. 2,400,000
Yolo	. 2,000,000
Kern	1,100,000
Colusa	900,000
Los Angeles	600,000
Riverside	. 296,000

Total crop140,000,000

The above figures show that Fresno County now produces about sixty per cent of the California raisin crop, and nearly twice the quantity produced by Spain, which produces from 15,000 to 30,000 tons and has held the lead for centuries. It was in 1892 that the California raisin crop first equaled that of Spain, and it has been increasing the difference ever since.

Fresno County is the center of the seeded raisin industry, where it originated. The following figures show in tons the wonderful increase in this popular form of raisin during the last fourteen years:

Year	Tons		Tons
1896	700	1903	18,000
1897	3,500	1904	18,000
1898			
1899	12,000		
1900			
1901			
1902	16,000	1909	28,000
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The aggregate wine and brandy production for 1910, with an excess of 500,000 gallons in case of dry wine and of 500,000 gallons in case of brandy, was more than for 1909, which exceeded all previous years. The production in 1909 of sweet wine was the greatest in the history of the industry by 2,500,000 gallons, and 1910 kept pace with it. The output of dry wine was well above the normal by near 7,000,000 gallons. The following table shows the product of wine and brandy in gallons for the last fourteen years:

Year	Dry Wines	Sweet Wines	Brandy
1897	28,736,400	5,197,500	1,412,468
1898	10,750,000	7,779,000	1,250,000
1899	15,103,000	8,330,000	1,699,035
1900	16,737,260	6,940,300	3,256,513
1901	16,473,731	6,270,300	1,688,482
1902	28,221,146	14,835,146	1,561,173
1903	21,900,500	12,670,356	1,972,000
1904	15,589,312	13,571,856	4,420,839
1905	20,000,000	10,700,000	1,250,000
1906	26,000,000	15,000,000	1,345,000
1907	27,500,500	15,500,000	1,500,000
1908	22,500,000	14,750,000	1,750,000
1909	27,000,000	18,000,000	2,000,000
1910	27,500,000	18,000,000	2,500,000
After 190	f brandy us	ed in fortifyi	ng sweet
wines was e	excluded.	_	

California wines have a wide and growing market. The railroad shipments go mainly to Eastern points, while those by sea go to the four quarters of the world. In this connection the following exhibit of exports of wine by sea, taken from the Wine and Spirit Review, is of interest:

			Gallons	Value
1908,	to	12	countries4,250,799	\$1,657,089
1909,	to	23	countries7,440,294	2,386,111
1910,	to	26	countries9,866,539	3,162,600

Summary of the values of fruit products for 1910 marketed by the producer and for the most part shipped out of the state, compiled from data gathered from the transportation companies and other authoritative sources:

Orchard Products	Value
Fresh deciduous fruits.	\$15,479,200
Citrus fruits	32,790,000
Dried fruits, including	
prunes	17,793,000
Canned fruits	10,000,000
Olives and olive oil	2,200,000
Nuts	3,375,000-\$81,637,200
Vineyard Products	
Table grapes	4,452,200
Raisins	4,640,000
Wine and brandy	25,500,000 34,592,200
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Total	\$116.229.400

[Editor's Note.—Special attention is called to the volume of business done by California in dried fruits and canned fruits, amounting to \$27,793,000. This should be sufficient evidence to prove beyond question that Oregon and Washington, Idaho and other states in the Northwest are far behind the times in the matter of canning and drying. The Northwest needs canneries and evaporators, and it needs them badly, and the fact that in California this part of the industry amounts to nearly \$28,000,000 certainly should be sufficient evidence.]

HBRACING the three Counties of Kittitas, Yakima and Benton, the fruit tree census of this famous section shows up as follows: Total number fruit trees 3,330,726, distributed as follows: Kittitas County, 304,206 trees, 4,129 acres; Yakima County, 2,271,538 trees, 28,750 acres; Benton County, 754,892 trees, 8,461 acres.

Total number of trees 3,330,726, divided as follows: Apple, 1,956,680; pear, 499,809; peach, 751,601; miscellaneous, 132,636.

Of the apple trees, the number according to age is as follows: Over six years, 336,554; five years, 106,503; four years, 159,603; three years, 390,-299; two years, 496,965; one year, 466,766.

There are in these counties 127,009 acres irrigable, but not in cultivation, a large portion of which can be put to fruit.—From report of Mr. E. F. Benson, secretary of state.

Fruit Tree Statistics of the Famous Yakima Valley

From Yakima Herald, August 12, 1911

A BROADER idea of the value of the fruit trees in the Yakima Valley was obtained Friday by a conscrvation with J. H. Robbins, general manager of the Yakima Valley Fruit Growers' Association. By Yakima Valley is meant all the fruit growing country in the eastern part of Kittitas County, and all of the fruit lands of Yakima and Benton Counties. Mr. Robbins places the number of fruit trees in the above region at 3,500,000, and their value at ten dollars per trec. He acknowledges that the number of trees is probably much greater than he mentioned, and that their value is much more. Those figures were given merely as a rough basis to show up how valuable the fruit industry has become in this part of the state, while other statistics can easily be obtained to show that it is growing by leaps and bounds. From figures compiled and read at the meeting of the State Horticultural Society held at Prosser last January, the number of fruit trees in the first mentioned region was placed at 3,330,-726. No person who is well informed will dispute that there were not more trees set out in this region last spring than would swell the number to more than 3,500,000, for the records of the nurseries will verify the additional number. From the foregoing it would appear that Mr. Robbins estimates the value of the fruit trees alone at \$35,-000,000. The number of acres in orchards last January was placed at 41,340, which has been increased to nearly 50,000 acres by this time. Adding the value of the land to that of the trees would make a stupendous total.

To handle the selling and transportation business of such an immense business as that of fruit raising on a gigantic scale, such as partially outlined above, requires a strong company. Right here is where Mr. Robbins gave out some information that may be of profit to those who read it, and it may be of interest to many who have never given the subject much thought. The Yakima Valley Fruit Growers' Association has at the present time fourteen district associations, Broadway having been added within the past few weeks. There are approximately four hundred horticulturists who are signed up members of their different local associations. The central body is composed of two delegates from each local. There is nothing new or original in the plan of organization. It is trying no experiment on fruit growers. It is based on the unit system, the same as that governing some of the California organizations, which have been in successful operation for more than twenty years. The local organizations thresh out their own problems at home, and no single association can cover whole districts and keep its members in harmony. The orchardists of the Spokane district paid the Yakima Valley Fruit Growers'

Association a compliment last week by resolving to organize along similar lines. They are to hold another meeting today, Saturday, to proceed with their organization. Inasmuch as it will be impossible for them to get into shape to handle their own fruit this year, it is believed that they will turn it over to the association here to sell for them, thus becoming for purposes of protection members of this body during the time that will necessarily elapse while they are getting ready for business. In addition to the members who reside in Washington, the local organization has been asked to handle the crops for fruit growers of both Idaho and Oregon. The Idaho fruit men who have come in will form a district association as soon as they possibly can incorporate, and will then be regular members of the association, the same as though they were located in the Yakima Valley. One feature of the plan of operating the Yakima Val-Fruit Growers' Association, as emphasized by Manager Robbins, is that the work is divided into departments, the head of each of which is master of the work in that line. C. C. White has charge of the sales, with title of sales manager. J. T. Roman is traffic manager. Both of these gentlemen have had years of experience and know their business. Mr. Roman handled 25,000 cars of fruit last season, 13,000 of which were of the cold storage variety. As Robert E. Strahorn, vice-president and manager of the O.-W. R. R. & N. Company, predicts that within the next five or six years this region will be turning out not less than from 25,000 to 30,000 carloads of fruit annually in normal years, it is casy to be seen that it will require considerable ability and a great deal of labor to satisfactorily handle the marketing of the fruit, including the transportation and selling features.

Estimate of Apple Crop this Year

From National League Bulletin, August 1, 1911

SUMMING up the various figures and guesses regarding this season's apple crop, taken in conjunction with figures furnished by the United States government, it would appear that the crop will be around 28,600,000 barrels, as compared with about 23,800,000 for last seasons' crop.

The crop in the Hudson River Valley is variously estimated at from twenty-five to fifty per cent of a normal crop. The drop has been heavy, and recent storms and high winds have done great damage. Quality, however, promises fine both in the Hudson Valley and Western New York.

Over 3,000,000 barrels are expected from New England States, estimated about as follows:

Vermont	
Wassachusetts	
Rhode Island	
Connecticut	
Maine	880 000
New Hampshire	524 000

Other estimates show the following number of barrels from the states

named.
New York
West Virginia 600 000
Pennsylvania
Ohio
Illinois
Miehigan
Kentucky
Iowa 931.000
Delaware 125 500
Maryland 296 500
Virginia 387.500
Wiseonsin 634,000
Arkansas
Missouri 344,500
Kansas 116,000
Indiana 693,000
Tennessee 725,000

The box apple output is shown at over 13.000,000 million boxes. California is expected to furnish about 5,000,000 boxes, Washington 300,000, Colorado about 2,500,000, Oregon 1,100,000 and the balance coming from New Mexico, Idaho, Utah and Montana.

[Editor's Note.—By comparison of the statistics compiled by the editor, which are shown clsewhere in this edi-

tion, you will note a big difference in the output of box apples. California is put down for 5,000,000 boxes, and our estimate is 1,800,000. However, this may be an under-estimate, and they may possibly go to 2,400,000. Washington is put down for 300,000 boxes, and our estimate is 1.800,000. Colorado is down for 2,500,000; our estimate is 1.800,000. However, it is possible that Colorado may exceed this figure. Oregon is put down for 1,100,000 boxes; our estimate is 720,000. The total of the above estimates is 13,000,000, while our estimated total is 6,960,000. It is apparent there is quite a difference. It remains to be seen who is correct. However, we wish to say in reference to our estimate, which may account for the discrepancy, that we only deal with the number of carloads actually shipped out of the above named states, that is, California, Colorado, Utah, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon. Statistics lately compiled indicate that about 16,000 carloads were shipped from the above states last year. The Eastern estimate of the crop shipped from the above named states in 1910 was 18,000 cars. Of those there are only two, Colorado and California, which are claiming over fifty per cent of their crop, which would be 9,000 carloads. If Colorado ships 2.000 carloads more than our estimate of 3,000 and California ships 1,000 more than our estimate, which, we think, will be the limit, it will mean about 12,000 carloads for this year.]

WANTED — Employment by a young man, single, an agricultural eollege graduate, a specialist in fruit growing. Will accept small wages to start. Address R. W. M., 2219 H Street, Bellingham, Washington.

Apple and Peach Statistics for the State of Utah

Compiled by State Horticultural Commission, Salt Lake City, Utah

REPORT OF FRUIT TREES PLANTED IN UTAH SPRING OF 1911

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Counties	Apples	Peaches	Cherries	Pears	Apricots	Prunes
tah		58,779	11,927	5.175	110	2,749
ox Elder		45,000	8,400	2,400	4.800	4,500
alt Lake	58,666	20,250	18,508	12,643	428	2.182
Veber		17,644	5,376	500	4.746	1,014
ache	23,300	3,000	2,400	720	240	1,200
Vashington		24,000		360	240	150
mery and Grand		31,200	840	5,160	120	600
Davis	11 743	3,560	2,976		841	178
an Pete	17.199	675	90	480	240	
ooele		3,030	3,275	275	65	300
lillard	0.007	1,688	30	900	30	413
arbon	0.010	1,700	150	1,200		100
ieh	0 000		480	390	120	300
an Juan	0.00	1,500	120	240	60	300
on	100	206	73	43	19	21
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Totals	458 366	212.232	54,765	30,606	12,059	14,101
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The growing importance of the fruit industry in Utah is emphasized in the above report of the fruit trees planted

in the spring of 1911.

About fifty-eight per cent of the total area is planted to apples; about twenty-seven per cent is to peaches, and the balance to cherries, pears, plums and prunes and apricots, in the order named. Large gains over 1910 were made in Box Elder, Salt Lake, Cache, Washington, Tooele, Millard, Rich, San Juan and Carbon Counties. Over the state as a whole, however, there is a slight decrease in 1911, compared with 1910, but a considerable increase over every other year in the history of the state.

Fruit Crop Report—From the reports submitted to this office it is evident that the commercial shipments of fruit in Utah will exceed last year. Following is the estimate of the 1911 crop, as compared with the preceding year:

13	11 1910
Apples 3	50 = 337
Peaches 8	50 805
All other, including pears, prunes and small fruits 3	00 276
Totals 1.5	00 1.418

While the crop is lighter on the trees than last year, still the orchards on an average have had better spraying, pruning and cultivation than in former years, consequently the fruit will be of better quality and size. This fact, together with the increased area coming into bearing, will make the output larger than last year.

The prospect of prices is also considerably better than the year of 1910, and the net returns to the grower from this year's crop will exceed last year.

crop was sold as fresh fruit, which apparently seemed to crowd the market below its consuming capacity at good prices. Whether or not we are right is a question, but it seems that if the California pear growers had sold a portion of the crop to the canneries and shipped a proper proportion of the crop as fresh fruit that the market on Batlett pears would not have been so low, and that the California dealers would have realized a great deal more net money.

RETURNING from an exhaustive study of crop conditions in all parts of the state, F. A. Huntley, state-horticulturist, announced that this year's fruit crop would be from 40 to 50 per cent as large as last year; when there was an abnormal yield in all-varieties. His estimate to Governor Hay, he said, would show Washington's 1911 fruit harvest to total 4,225,000 boxes valued at \$5,765,000. The value of the 1910 crop was \$15,000,000 and the 1909 yield netted the growers \$6,000,000.

His detailed estimate of the 1911 crop follows: 2,000,000 boxes of apples at \$1.50 a box, totaling \$3,000,000; 350,000 boxes pears at \$1.50, adding \$525,000; 500,000 boxes peaches at 50 cents, bringing \$250,000; 200,000 boxes of plums and prunes at 60 cents, bringing farmers \$120,000; 200,000 boxes cherries at \$1, aggregating \$200,000; 300,000 crates strawberries at \$2, totaling \$600,000; 475,000 crates raspberries and blackberries at \$2, bringing \$590,000, and 400,000 baskets grapes at 60 cents, yielding \$120,000.

ORCHARD ACREAGE of the State of Washington December 31, 1908. (This includes acreage estimates in 1906, to which has been added the nursery stock distribution since that time.) From report of F. A. Huntley, horticultural commissioner:

Counties	Pears	Apples
Adams	18	100
Asotin	342	1,184
Benton	296	1,622
Chehalis	25	328
Chelan	533	13,252
Clallam	9	100
Clarke	133	381
Columbia	406	1,326
Cowlitz	208	
		2,439
	126	1,464
Ferry	4.5	244
Franklin	25	138
Garfield	86	737
Island	75	810
Jefferson	74	104
King	232	1,591
Kitsap	273	2,368
Kittitas	60	898
Klickitat	55	9,554
Lewis	33	1,205
Lineoln	80	645
Mason	28	167
Okanogan	178	2,548
Paeific	119	63
Pierce	259	4.263
San Juan	48	647
Skagit	44	992
Skamania	22	369
Snohomish	69	1.245
	392	
		10,194
Stevens	176	2,936
Thurston	21	1,267
Wahkiakum	6	224
Walla Walla	189	1,064
Whateom	. 71	1,758
Whitman	313	3,405
Yakima	5,719	27,938
Miseellaneous	140	2,190

Apple Production of the Pacific Coast

BELOW we give the apple production of six Pacific Coast states in carloads for 1910, and the estimated production in carloads and boxes for 1911:

		1911	1911
		Carloads	Boxes
Oregon	$\dots 2,025$	1.200	720,000
Washington		3,000	1,800,000
Idaho		1,000	600,000
California	4,000	3,000	1,800,000
Colorado		3,000	1,800,000
Utah	340	400	240,000
Totals	15,535	11,600	6,960,000

Eastern reports credited the above states with 18,000 carloads last year. As a rule districts throughout the country are not claiming over from forty to fifty per cent of last year's crop. Colorado, and possibly California, may overrun the estimates given. The general average estimate being fifty per cent of last year's crop, if Eastern statements are correct would mean having shipped 18,000 carloads last year, and if the growers are correct in their fifty per cent estimates that we would have 9,000 carloads. However, a greater production than fifty per cent in some sections justifies us in the belief that 12,000 carloads will be as near correct as it is possible to determine at the present time.

We wish everybody to understand, however, that this is simply an estimate and only refers to the number of carloads that are shipped out of the respective states mentioned above, and does not include the amount used in home consumption in any one of the states, and we wish it understood that we realize the difficulty of making reliable estimates, and it is much harder to get good data from some states than others for reasons too numerous to mention. While we are perfectly sincere in this estimate we must admit that estimates to a great extent are more or less a matter of guess work, and it is not expected or intended that these figures should influence the grower or the buyer, and we cannot refrain from adding that values are not absolutely dependent upon the relations of supply and demand in the United States in the fruit business. European markets are important factors in reference to price, and the manner in which fruit is handled also has much to do with the prices that are paid. For instance, the Bartlett pear crop, while we do not know the output this year, did not vary materially from the output last year from the Northwest states and California, and owing to the fact that growers refused to take cannery offers nearly all of the

Fruit Production and Value for State of Oregon

From Chamber of Commerce Bulletin, Portland, Oregon

OREGON as a fruit state is rapidly forging to the front. The state's fruit bearing area was about 40,000 acres; 125,000 acres were planted during the past five years. An ideal climate, soil of great fertility and variety serve to make the production in Oregon of high grade fruits. Hood River took the sweepstakes at the National Apple Show, Chicago, for best apples in 1910.

The fruit yield for 1910, as estimated by the president of the State Board of Horticulture, was as follows:

	Value
Apples, 2,650,000 boxes	2,500,000
Pears, 292,000 boxes	420,000
Peaches, 970,000 boxes	485,000
Cherries, 4,600,000 pounds	200,000
Dried prunes, 28,000,000 pounds	1,680,000
Fresh prunes and plums, 300,000	
erates	195,000
Apricots, 15,000 boxes	10,000
Grapes, 4,500,000 pounds	135,000
Strawberries, 10,500,000 pounds	577,000
Blackberries, 1,750,000 pounds	75,000
Raspberries, 2,250,000 pounds	105,000
Loganberries, 4,000,000 pounds	165,000
Currants, 425,000 pounds	25,500
Gooseberries, 500,000 pounds	20,000

 $\begin{array}{cccc} \text{Other fruits} & & 35,500 \\ \text{Nuts, } 250,000 \text{ pounds} & & 35,500 \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\$

[Editor's Note.—You will note the total output of fruit for Oregon in 1910 was \$6,662,500. We have not at hand the estimate for Washington or Idaho, but probably the three combined would be somewhere near \$20.-000,000. Now, these three states have a large fruit area. Please note the volume of business done in the fruit line, recorded in this edition under another article entitled, "California Fruit Statistics From a Report of the California Development Board of 1911," which shows the total output of fruit from California was \$116,229,400. Your attention is called to this fact to assure you what is in store for the fruit industry of the Northwest. The possibilities are certainly great because the Northwest is a wonderful country for fruit, excelled by no other section in the Union.]

Condition of the Fruit Crop in Utah

By J. Edward Taylor, Utah State Horticultural Inspector

FROM the commercial standpoint the present prospects are that Utah will this season produce one of the largest fruit crops in her history. While it is true that there has been considerable damage in some sections from frost, yet the state's output for commercial purposes will exceed the crop of 1910 by about two hundred cars. Most of this gain will be in peaches. The frost did very little damage to the apple crop in any section, but there will not be any very large increase in the production

of this crop. While there is a larger area coming into bearing this is offset by the light crop in the orchards which produced heavily last year.

Commerical shipments for 1910: Apples, 338; peaches, 805; pears, 30; all others, including small fruits, 245; a total of 1,418 cars.

Commercial shipments for 1911 (estimated): Apples, 350; peaches, 1,000; pears, 30; all others, including small fruits, 250; a total of 1,630 cars.

United States Pear Production 1890-1900

From United States Government Census

	1890	1900
	Bushels	Bushels
Alabama	22,902	22,656
Arizona	535	13,197
Arkansas	12,995	24,503
California	577,444	1,912,825
		19,272
Colorado	2,441	
Connecticut	25,862	41,485
Delaware	26,029	156,208
District of Columbia	530	468
Florida	34,255	83,584
Georgia	113,868	49,497
Idaho	3,542	25,324
Illinois	57,090	113,745
Indiana	157,707	231,713
Indian Territory		2,971
Iowa	7,812	5.014
Kansas	18,891	21,978
Kentueky	118,850	76,940
Louisiana	3,993	29,405
Maine	13,141	11,200
Maryland	60,292	301,702
Massachusetts	71,559	89,011
Michigan	194,099	170,702
	96	226
Minnesota	18,531	36,923
Mississippi	58,683	58,449
Missouri	20,000	24
Montana	1.114	979
Nebraska	811	903
Nevada		19,341
New Hampshire	19,288	
New Jersey	80,664	790,818
New Mexico	1,526	14,777
New York	588,767	960,170
North Carolina	33,910	25,251
North Dakota	279,831	1
Ohio	279,831	244,565
Oklahoma		1,968
Oregon	106,383	112,225
Pennsylvania	144,534	434,117
Rhode Island	10,037	12,452
South Carolina	9,244	20,439
South Dakota	3	157

Tennessee	43,609
Texas 17,034	166,418
Utah 6,198	59,982
Vermont	10,239
Virginia 51,553	88,400
Washington	78,236
West Virginia 15,406	19,475
Wisconsin 4,071	1,540
Wyoming	3
Totals 3.064.375	6,625,417
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THE following is a synopsis of the important features of the banana business as collaborated by Franklin Adams, editor Pan-American Union, in May, 1911:

Three dozen per capita—consumption for 1910. Consumption doubled in the last ten years. One acre will produce 17,000 pounds of bananas; this is one and one-third times as much as corn, three times as much as wheat, two and one-third times as much as oats, three times as much as potatoes, four times as much as rye. Chemical composition of bananas same as potatoes. We consume the common yellow Guineo. There are in all forty species. First importation to United States in 1804.

On American continent they are successfully grown through fifty degrees of latitude from Tampico, Mexico. Twenty-five degrees north to Asunçion in Paraguay. In the tropic of Capriover three thousand miles in widthcultivation is restricted, however, to Cultivation is restricted, however, to the eastern coast line on account of rainfall. Will produce maximum only with one hundred inches of annual rainfall or more. Most successful in southern coast of the Mexican Gulf, Puerto Banios section of Guatemala, Puerto Cortes district of Nicaragua, Bocas del Torro region of Panama, Puerto Simon district of Costa Rica, Bluefields district of Nicaragua, Columbian Province of Santa Marta, certain portions of Cuba, Jamaica, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Dutch Guiana. Is immune from insect pests and seed-less. Planted in rows twelve feet apart will bear about one year from planting and will grow to a height of fifteen to thirty-five feet. Four suckers are allowed to grow, which are pruned to be in four stages of development. But one bunch grows to the stalk, and two hundred hills are allowed to an acre. Average yield about two hundred bunches to the acre. Cost of production ten to fifteen cents per bunch, sells at shipping point for thirty cents per bunch; net profits average about fifty dollars per acre. Land in Mexico at ten to fifteen dollars; clearing and planting, forty to fifty dollars per acre.

THE following letter is probably one of the most significant statements ever published in reference to the future of the fruit industry. If the consumption of fruit in forty-three years increased to 2,000 per cent while the population only increased 270 per cent it certainly looks very favorable for the fruit industry, and particularly so for the apple business, for the reason that during the last sixteen years the crop has gradually decreased:

Corvallis, Oregon, August 4, 1911. Mr. J. C. Skinner, Hood River, Oregon.

My Dear Mr. Skinner: Your letter to President Kerr, which came during my absence, has been duly referred to this division. In regard to your inquiry will state that taking the period from 1850 to 1897 we find the production and consumption of fruit increased 2,000 per cent, while the population during that time increased 270 per cent. Despite this wonderful increase of fruit production we find that the prices today are higher than in 1850. This must mean that the people are using fruit much more generally than they formerly did. Of course this is especially true with apples and oranges. Fifty years ago there were no fruit sections. Now there are large areas devoted to single crops, such as apples, pears and oranges. Yours sincerely, C. I. Lewis, chief of division of horticulture Oregon Agricultural College.

The Apple Production in Barrels for a Decade

THE number of barrels of apples produced in the United States each year from 1985 to 1910 follows:

Year	Barrels	Year	
1895	60,500,000	1904	45,360,000
1896	69,000,000	1905	24,300,000
1897	41,000,000	1906	38,280,000
1898	28,500,000	1907	29,540,000
1899	58,500,000	1908,	25,850,000
1900	57,000,000	1909	25,415,000
1901		1910	23,825,500
1902		1911*	28,600,000
1903		*Estimate	on Aug. 1.

The above total certainly presents a field that justifies a great deal of thought and investigation. From the year 1896 to the present date it is quite evident that the crop of apples has been greatly decreasing, the present crop being only about fifty per cent of that year. There must be some cause, because during this period there was a large increased setting. On the other hand, it is probably true that a great many orchardists who averaged less than a bushel to the tree had dug up their orchards. Many such cases are reported. Lack of care, disease and

climatic conditions may be other factors. Whatever the causes may be it is evident that the crop has decreased, which again brings us to the final conclusion that many districts in the apple industry which do not pay will go out of business, and we believe the law of supply and demand, or call it nature, if you will, will regulate the quantity of apples necessary to meet the market demands. Should the production be increased sufficiently in quantity to lower prices then it would become a survival of the fittest, which means if over-production does come that it would be simply temporary.

ORANGES.—California orange output: 1905-1906, 22,175 cars; 1906-1907, 23,986 cars; 1907-1908, 24,538 cars; 1908-1909, 31,895 cars; 1909-1910, 30,093 cars. About 384 boxes to car.—Pacific Fruit World, November 5, 1910.

Florida orange production: 1906, 3,465,357 boxes; 1907-1908, 4,314,027

boxes; 1908-1909, 5,000,100 boxes; 1909-1910, 6,000,000 boxes, approximate; 1910-1911, 3,750,000 boxes, approximate.—Biennial reports Florida Commissioner of Agriculture and Florida Fruit and Produce News.

We cannot help but draw a conclusion from the above statement. A few years ago Florida was the only producing orange section in America, and in 1910-11 produced 3,750,000 boxes. A few years ago 1,400 cars was considered an over-production in the orange output from California. During the season 1909-1910 the output was 30,093 cars. This shows an immense increase in Southern California from 1,400 cars to 30,000 cars in a very few years, while the Florida output has remained nearly the same, yet there is no overproduction in oranges. At 384 boxes to the car the orange output from California would mean 11,555,712 boxes, compared with the Florida production during the same year of 6,000,000 boxes, or about twice as much. In the season 1910-1911 the California output would be about three times as great.

Apple Production in Western United States

Paper by S. A. Beach, read at meeting of National Apple Shippers' Association, August 4, 1910

E are asked to consider at this time apple production Western United States with regard to its present status and future development. The territory as outlined extends from Lake Michigan, the east boundary of Illinois, and the Mississippi River westward to the Pacific ocean, and from Canada to Mexico. It extends about ninetecn hundred miles east and west, seventeen hundred miles north and south, and comprises over sixty per cent of the area of the United States. It is drained by the largest rivers of the continent. It includes broad fertile valleys, wide extending plains, elevated plateaus and vast ranges of lofty mountains, with their accompanying foothills. It includes narrow coast valleys, which are continually veiled with fogs and low-hanging clouds, and also the great desert and semi-arid regions, portions of which already have been brought under irrigation, while other portions are rapidly being included within the irrigated areas. An extensive and rapidly growing literature on the subject of apple growing in this Middle and Far West already abounds in reports, bulletins and other publications of the various state experiment stations, the United States department of agriculture, state and district horticultural societies, fruit growers' associations, organizations of shippers and dealers in fruit, commercial clubs, railroad companies, newspaper and magazine articles, horticultural periodicals and books. It is evident that only a brief outline of this subject can be here presented.

First notice what states and sections of this region are engaged in apple growing and their relative importance. That portion of this territory in which

the apple production reached one thousand bushels per county, as mapped in the United States census report for 1900, may be approximately outlined as including the southern half of Wisconsin, the southeastern quarter of Minnesota, the southeast corner of South Dakota, Illinois, Iowa, Eastern and Southeastern Nebraska, Missouri, Eastern Kansas, Arkansas, excluding the southeast corner, Eastern Oklahoma, Northern Louisiana and the northeast corner of Texas, a few widely separated localities of comparatively limited extent in the mountain regions of New Mexico, Colorado, the Black Hills, Montana, Idaho, Utah, Arizona and a practically continuous area from Southern California northward along the coast and interior valleys of Western California and Oregon through the Puget Sound region and the valley of the Columbia River to the Canadian line. Doubtless the census report for 1910 will show that during the last decade apple growing has been extended considerably beyond the limits here outlined.

It is well to note that in thus defining the apple regions of this part of the continent the unit of production adopted as a basis is not large. The crop of one thousand bushels which would be required in order to bring a county within this category could be borne on one hundred trees yielding ten bushels per tree. However, the fact that so small a yield as this brings a county within the so-called apple regions of the country serves to call attention all the more emphatically to the practical absence of apple orchards in vast areas extending from the Gulf Coast of Texas and from Mexico and Southern California northward through the plains and mountains to the northern boundaries of the continent, which are shown on the above mentioned map as being excluded from apple growing territory. Turning now to a consideration of individual states, it is found that when ranked according to the yield of apples reported in the 1900 census they stand in the order given below:

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States	D 1 1 .
	Bushels
1, New York	24,111,257
2, Pennsylvania	24,060,651
3, Ohio	20,617,480
4, Virginia	9,835,982
5, Illinois	9,178,150
6, Michigan	8,931,569
7, Indiana	8,620,278
8, West Virginia	7,495,743
9, Missouri	6,496,436
10, Kentucky	6,057,717
11, Tennessee	5,387,775
12, North Carolina	4,662,751
13, New Jersey	4,640,896
14, Connectieut	3,708,931
15, California	
	3,488,208
16, Kansas	3,214,407
17, Maryland	3,150,673
18, Iowa	3,129,862
19, Massachusetts	3,023,436
20, Arkansas	2,811,182
21. New Hampshire	1,978,797
22, Maine	1,421,773
23, Nebraska	1,343,497
23, Nebraska	
24, Vermont	1,176,822
25, Washington	728,978
26, Oregon	873,980
27, Alabama	719,175
28. Delaware	702,920
29, Georgia	670,889
30, Texas	591,985
31, Rhode Island	339,445
	303,373
32, Wiseonsin	
33, Colorado	257,563
34, South Carolina	251,728
35, Mississippi	249,035
36, Idaho	223,662
37, Indian Territory	222,565
38. Utah	189,882
39, New Mexico	142,332
40. Minnesota	120,143
	111,235
All other states	158,463
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Total for United States	173,397,626

Perhaps the best available statement of the crops in more recent years is that published by the American Agriculturist in its year book. It reports the yields for 1905, 1907 and 1909, as given in bushels, in the following table:

New England		40.00	4000
	1905	1907	1909
Maine	1,890,000	5,100,000	2,250,000
New Hampshire	1,500,000	2,400,000	1,200,000
Vermont	1,050,000	2,250,000	600,000
Massachusetts	1,575,000	1,800,000	1,080,000
Rhode Island	300,000	300,000	300,000
Connecticut	1,350,000	1,200,000	600,000
Totals	7,665,000	13,050,000	6,030,000
Middle States			
New York	9,990,000	13,950,000	10,200,000
New Jersey	2,250,000	1,200,000	900,000
Pennsylvania	6,300,000	9,000,000	4,800,000
Delaware	450,000	450,000	450,000
Ohio	2,850,000	5,400,000	3,150,000
Michigan	5,400,000	5,700,000	5,550,000
Wisconsin	300,000	600,000	750,000
Totals	27,510,000	36,300,000	25,800,000
Central Wester	n States	• >	
Indiana	1,530,000	1,800,000	1,350,000
Illinois	1,575,000.	2,550,000	1,800,000
Missouri	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,620,000
Kansas	1,080,000	375,000	825,000
Nebraska		420,000	1,050,000
Iowa		1,050,000	1,500,000
Arkansas	1,650,000	900,000	1,050,000
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Totals	8,730,000	8,595,000	-9,195,000
Western States			4.050.000
Colorado	720,000	750,000	1,350,000
Idaho	300,000	600,000	300,000
Utah	270,000	450,000	300,000
Montana	75,000	150,000	180,000
California	2,850,000	3,000,000	3,300,000
Oregon	1,200,000	1,650,000	750,000
Washington	1,170,000	1,425,000	1,125,000
Totals	6,585,000	8,025,000	7,305,000
Southern State			
West Virginia	2,700,000	1,950,000	1,350,000
Virginia	3,600,000	2,100,000	1,800,000
Maryland	1,500,000	900,000	825,000
Kentueky	5,100,000	4,500,000	3,600,000
Tennessee	3,600,000	3,900,000	3,300,000
Totals	16,500,000	13,350,000	10,875,000

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A statement of the rank of the Western states, according to their yields as reported in the census year of 1899, is presented below for comparison with their rank, based upon the combined averages for the years 1905, 1907 and 1909, as shown in parallel column. Rank of Western states in apple production in 1899, as compared with rank for 1905-7 combined:

	1899		1905-7-9
5.	Illinois	8,	California
	Missouri		Illinois
	California	16,	Missouri
	Kansas	18,	Washington
18,	Iowa	19,	Iowa
20.	Arkansas	20,	Oregon
	Nebraska	21,	Arkansas
	Oregon	24,	Colorado
	Washington	25,	Kansas
	Texas	26,	Nebraska
32.	Oklahoma (andl.T.)	27,	Wisconsin
	Wiseonsin	29,	Idaho
34.	Colorado	30,	Utah
37.	Idaho		
	Utah		
39,	New Mexico		
	Minnesota		

This shows that many of these states have changed considerably since 1900 in their relative rank in apple production. Generally speaking the states of the Far West have advanced and those of the Middle West have dropped. Thus it appears that since 1899 California has advanced in rank from 15 to 8, Washington from 26 to 18, Oregon from 25 to 20, Colorado from 34 to 24, Idaho from 37 to 29, Utah from 38 to 30 and Wisconsin from 33 to 27, while Illinois drops from 5 to 11, Missouri from 9 to 16, Kansas from 16 to 25, Nebraska from 23 to 26, Iowa from 18 to 19 and Arkansas from 20 to 21.

That portion of this region which is here considered under the head of the Central West is comprised of Wisconsin, Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas, Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa. Under the heading of the Far West are grouped



Exhibit of the Bitter Root Valley Irrigation Company at the United States Land and Irrigation Exposition in 1910 at Chicago, illustrating in a small degree what this show will be this year at the Coliseum, Chicago, Illinois, November 18 to December 9

Colorado, Idaho, Utah, Montana, California, Oregon and Washington, These are the principal apple producing states of this great region. The above mentioned reports show that of the total crop of the United States the Central West produced 20 per cent in 1899, 10.3 per cent in 1905, 8.3 per cent in 1907 and 12.5 per cent in 1909. The Far West yielded 3 1-3 per cent of the total crop in 1899, 9 per cent in 1905, 9 per cent in 1907 and 10.7 per cent in 1909. The Central West and Far West groups combined produced 23 1-3 per cent of the total crop in 1899, 19.3 per cent in 1905, 17.3 per cent in 1907 and 23.3 per cent in 1909. It is hardly necessary in this audience to call attention to the fact that neither the present status nor the prospective importance of the apple industry in this region is fully indicated by these statements concerning the aggregate amount of its crop production. In certain parts of this territory the apple industry has reached the highest stage of development yet attained both in methods of orchard management and in systems of handling, grading, packing and marketing the crop. Because they have excelled in these particulars certain districts of really small area have become world renowned as apple growing regions.

Although the Baldwin drops out of sight west of Lake Michigan till the valley of the Columbia River is reached in Central Washington, and even there does not take the lead as it does in the East, nevertheless it is convenient to speak of the region lying north of the Ben Davis region in the East as Baldwin territory. The varieties more or less associated with it in the East are Rhode Island Greening, Esopus Spitzenberg, Jonathan, Yellow and

Green Newtown Pippins, Monmouth or Red Cheek Pippin, Tompkins King, Maiden Blush and Northern Spy. These all reappear with the Baldwin in portions of Washington and Oregon, but their relative importance is changed, as we shall see later. In general it may be said that the Ben Davis and its associates show an adaptation to regions in the West corresponding to those which obtain in the East, and generally are of leading importance in the more southern districts or lower altitudes, the Baldwin and its associates becoming more prominent farther north or in higher elevations, while the Wealthy group flourishes still farther north or in still more elevated regions. Baldwin being climinated in the Middle West, the Wealthy region there borders directly upon the Ben Davis territory.

The apple districts of Central and Southern Illinois, Southern Iowa, the Ozark region of Missouri and Arkansas, Southern Nebraska, Eastern Kansas and Oklahoma all fall within what may be designated as the Ben Davis belt, for the reason that this variety is here the dominant commercial apple. The Gano and Black Ben Davis are evidently bud sports, or possibly seedlings of the Ben Davis, because they very closely resemble that variety both in tree and in fruit. They are distinguished from it chiefly by having the fruit more highly colored. Speaking broadly, Ben Davis, Black Ben Davis and Gano probably make up about half of the entire apple crop of the West. Probably next in importance rank the Jonathan and Winesap, with Winesap perhaps in the lead. Then in smaller quantities could come Grimes, Rome Beauty, Willow Twig, Missouri Pippin, Winkler and Ralls Genet. York Imperial is gaining ground. Among the newer varieties



M. Horan's Sweepstake Car at the National Apple Show at Spokane in 1908

The Fourth Spokane National Apple Show will be held November 23-30, where twenty to twenty-five carloads will probably be exhibited This will give you some idea of the immensity and importance of this show

which appear worthy of mention for the Ben Davis region is the Stayman, which unfortunately is more often called Stayman Winesap, thus tending to confuse it with the old Winesap, from which it is quite distinct. Delicious, which originated in South-central Iowa, is also attracting the attention of planters. This is also making a good record in many places along the southern portion of the Wealthy territory. South of the Ben Davis district, from the Gulf States westward to California, the apple, except in high elevations, is of inferior texture and flavor, and often the trees are short lived and unproductive.

Northern Illinois, Wisconsin, the north half of Iowa, Minnesota and Southeastern Dakota fall within what may be well designated as the Wealthy territory. The leading varieties of the Ben Davis belt extend into the Southern portion of the Wealthy territory, but find their best development farther south. Among the more important varieties, in addition to the Wealthy, which are attaining commercial recognition in this region are Duchess of Oldenburg, Northwestern Greening and Salome. Colorado Orange, although as yet but little known, is proving a good storage apple and an excellent keeper

as grown in this region. The tree is making a good record for hardiness and productiveness as far north as Northern Iowa. Other varieties of more or less local importance are Malinda, Windsor, Black Annette, Patten Greening and Charlamoff. In the mountain states Mackintosh and other Canadian varieties reappear in the Wealthy territory.

The apple districts of the Central West, with their leading varieties and new plantings, may be summed up as follows: Wisconsin—In Wisconsin apples are grown mostly in small plantings about the homesteads rather than in commercial orchards. Production is gradually increasing. During the last decade the state has advanced somewhat in relative rank. It still leads Idaho and Utah, but at present its apple crop is chiefly important in supplying summer and fall apples to local markets rather than in contributing to the general market stock of winter fruit. Its varieties are those associated with Wealthy. Illinois-Among the Western states Illinois ranks in production next to California. Winter injury or injury to blossom buds by late spring freezes has for several years seriously cut down the general crop. Insects and diseases are being controlled by some of the more progressive orchardists. Orchard tillage would doubtless be more generally practiced if there were greater surety of the setting of a crop without frost injury. Central and Southern Illinois grow Ben Davis and the varieties associated with it. Under present conditions planting is not being much extended. Missouri—The principal apple districts in Missouri are found in the Ozark country of Southwestern Missouri and the loose soils along the Missouri River, particularly in Northwest Missouri. In general planting is not active. The leading varieties include Ben Davis, Black Ben Davis, Gano, Winesap, Jonathan, Grimes, Missouri Pippin, Ralls Genet and Ingram. If Missouri orchards should yield to their full capacity an immense crop would be produced, but, as in the case of Illinois and other adjoining states, unfavorable climatic conditions have for several years materially shortened the crop production. Planting is not generally being extended. Arkansas—The apple districts of Arkansas are largely found in the northwest third of the state, particularly in the two northwest counties of Benton and Washington, which have from 6,000,000 to 7,000,000 trees planted. There is also an undeveloped

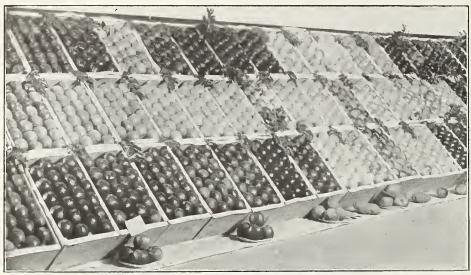


Exhibit at the Hood River Apple Show in 1910, Made from the Upper Part of Hood River Valley This will give some conception of what the show will be this year, the dates of which are November 8, 9 and 10, at Hood River, Oregon

west-central region. The older plantings include about 90 per cent Ben Davis, Mammoth Black Twig and Winesap. Later plantings include Gano, Black Ben Davis, Jonathan, Grimes, Winesap, Stayman Winesap, Collins, King David and Delicious. Arkansas has enough apple trees of bearing age to produce a very large crop, but, as in Missouri and Illinois, the unfavorable climatic conditions in recent years have proven a rather serious handicap to the development of orchard interests, and generally speaking planting is not being extended at present. Minne-sota—Apple culture in Minnesota is now mostly confined to the southeast quarter of the state, which, like Northern Iowa, Southern Wisconsin and Southeastern South Dakota, falls within the Wealthy belt. From Minneapolis southward to the Iowa line many farm orchards are found, and some commercial plantings, but they do not produce enough apples to supply the local markets. Planting increases slowly. Probably it will assume greater importance when more desirable, hardy, late-keeping varieties arc developed. Iowa—In amount of crop produced Iowa now ranks next below Washington. Northern Iowa is beginning to make shipments in car lots, including such varicties as Wealthy, Duchess of Oldenburg, Patten Greening and Northwestern Greening. Commercial orchards are scattered throughout the state. Passing southward the amount of the apple crop increases and becomes most important in Southern, and particularly in Southwestern Iowa, where Grimes and Jonathan of excellent quality are grown along with Ben Davis and other Missouri varieties. It is stated that one station in Southwest Iowa shipped over six hundred carloads of apples in 1909. Planting is not active, but Iowa may be expected to gradually increase the quantity and improve the quality of its apple crop. Nebraska—Nebraska grows apples in the eastern third of the state, and with irrigation in some localities farther west. The varieties are chiefly those of the Iowa and Missouri lists grown in the same latitudes. It has some important commercial orchards. Kansas—Kansas apple districts are found from Topeka northward to Nebraska and northeastward to the Missouri River, and in the valley of the Arkansas River from Hutchinson to the Oklahoma line. In recent years the most fruit has been grown in the Arkansas Valley. The varieties now chiefly planted are York, Jonathan and Grimes. Older plantings have many Ben Davis, Gano and Missouri Pippin. Oklahoma and Texas— In Oklahoma and Texas the apple is not of much commercial importance. It is attracting some attention in the Red River section and in West Texas, where the altitude reaches 2,000 feet. Here Ben Davis, Missouri Pippin and Arkan-

sas Black are grown.

Speaking in general terms planting is far more active in the Far West than in the Central West. Also crop production is there increasing much more rapidly, and methods of orchard management and of handling and marketing the crop have been brought to a higher degree of perfection. The general drawbacks in the Central West are, first, the liability of loss from unfavorable climatic conditions, and, second, the conscrvative attitude of the average grower resulting from lack of confidence in the reliability of the apple crop. Winter injury to trees and buds, the occasional freezing of the crop on the trees in autumn and the more frequent destruction of buds and blossoms by late spring frosts all combine to produce this lack of confidence. Drought, too, is a more important climatic factor in this region than it is in either the Far West or the East. Despite these really formidable drawbacks, commercial apple growing surely will increase in the Central West. The immediate increase will be gradual, but later on it will be more rapid. Freezes are being fought successfully by orchard heating. Insects and diseases can be controlled. Good soil, plenty of sunshine, dry air, generally favorable weather for apple pick-

ing and proximity to good markets are all advantages which help to offset the drawbacks. Drought can be met by better systems of orchard soil management. Varieties better adapted to this region than some of the old standard sorts are being introduced and considerable interest is developing in the matter of originating improved new varieties through the plant breeding work of experiment stations and horticul-tural societies. Minnesota has a farm of eighty acres devoted to this particular purpose and other states are doing considerable work of this kind. On the whole the apple outlook for the Central West is encouraging. Apple districts of the Far West, with

their leading varieties and new plantings, are as follows: Wyoming—Some orchards in Wyoming are already in bearing and a considerable number of others are being planted, but apple growing here is in its infancy. No shipments are made, for local markets take all the crop. Colorado—In apple production Colorado ranks as the most important of the inter-mountain states. The leading sections are Grand Valley, North Fork, Uncompagre Valley, Montezuma County and Canyon City. In the older orchards Ben Davis is the chief variety, but the newer plantings are largely of Jonathan, Rome, Winesap and Gano, with lesser amounts of Grimes, Winter Banana, Delicious, King David and others. The draw-King David and others. backs include winter killing and dving of trees, late spring freezes and the common insect and fungous diseases. Orchard heating receives much attention. Spraying is very thorough. The former method of continuous clean culture is being modified by the use of some such shadc crop as red clover. Utah—Utah grows apples commercially in the Cache Valley, on the west side of Bear Valley, in the Utah Valley, in the Sand Ridge region south of Ogden, and to a lesser extent in other parts of the state. Less than 20 per cent of its trees have come into bearing. new plantings include more Jonathan and Gano than all other kinds combined. They also have Ben Davis, Winesap, Rome, York, Missouri Pippin and Winter Banana. New Mexico-New Mexico apple districts include the Rio Grande Valley from north of Albuquerque to the Texas line, the Roswell district in the Pecos Valley and the Farmington district in San Juan County. The leading older varieties are Ben Davis, Arkansas Black, Mammoth Black Twig, Gano, Winesap, Jonathan, White Pearmain, Rome, Missouri Pippin and Akin. More recent plantings include Black Ben Davis, Delicious, Oliver, Stayman Winesap and Ingram. Interest in apple planting increases. The Roswell district leads with about 1,500 acres in bearing, and in addition is planting about 1,000 acres annually. Arizona-The drawbacks in this state aside from distance from markets are root rot, codling moth and excessive heat. There are only about 1,000 acres of apple orchards in the state. California leads the West in apple production. The area now

approximates 40,000 acres, about twothirds of which has reached bearing age. In 1909 the output was about 5.000 cars. The leading sections are the southern part of Santa Cruz County, the northern part of Monterey County, Sonoma County, Mendocino County, along the coast, and the foothills of the The varieties vary in different regions. They include Newtown, Bellflower, White Pearmain, Graven-stein, Red Astrachan, Rhode Island Greening, Esopus Spitzenberg, Missouri Pippin, Red June, White Astrachan, Jonathan and Ben Davis. Oregon—Oregon's apple districts include Rogue River Valley, in Jackson County; Hood River and Mosier, Grand Ronde Valley, Willamette Valley, Umpqua Valley, in Douglas County; the Milton-Freewater district, in Umatilla County, and certain coast regions, as in Coos County. The most extensive new plantings are in Willamette Valley. The dry air and abundant sunshine favor a good set of fruit, the development of high color and good results from spraying. There is comparative freedom from frost injury. Varieties in the older orchards include Ben Davis, Gano, Rome Beauty, Esopus Spitzenberg, Newtown Pippin, Jonathan, Baldwin, Northern Spy, Gravenstein, York and Tompkins King. The newer plantings are chiefly of Esopus Spitzenberg, Newtown, Rome and Gano, and also include Ortley, Grimes, Arkansas Black and some others. Washington—In Wash-ington apples are largely grown in the Spokane, Walla Walla, Wenatchee and Yakima districts, but other regions are developing. The varieties include those mentioned for Oregon, but with various changes in relative importance in the different districts. Oldenburg, Wealthy and Yellow Transparent also receive recognition from Washington planters. Idaho-Idaho apples are chiefly grown along the Snake Valley, in the southwest and western parts of the state; also in Northern Idaho. The varieties include Jonathan, Rome, Winesap, Ben Davis and others of the Washington list. Planting is active, particularly under irrigation. It is not uncommon to find new orchard projects of several hundred acres each.

There is reason to expect a satisfactory increase in apple production and improvement in quality of the stock put upon the market in the Far West. The latter will result from better methods of orchard management and of grading and packing. For the next few years Oregon promises an increase in production of from 10 per cent to 25 per cent annually, with the standard of quality well maintained. In some Oregon districts the acreage is now three times as great as it was three years ago, and in other places it has doubled during the past year. It is reported that in Washington the plantings are increasing at the rate of about 1,000 acres a year. Colorado reports that between 5,000 and 10,000 acres were added to her apple orchards in 1910. About 7,000 cars of apples were shipped in 1909. The outlook promises a good advance in the quality and

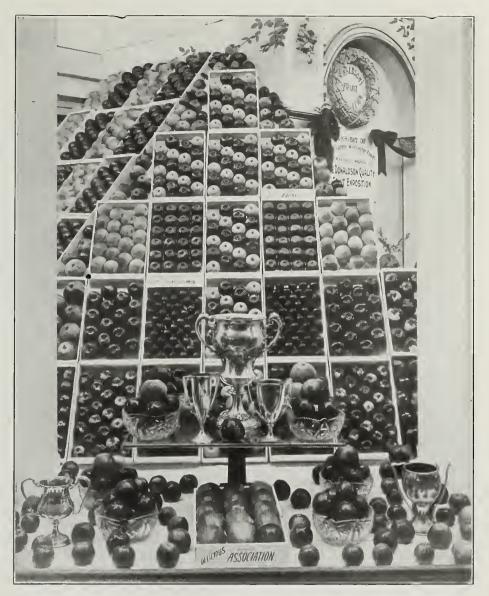


Exhibit of Central Washington and Wenatchee at the Donaldson Fruit Show in 1910
This will give an idea of what the Northwest Land Products Show will be this year at St. Paul
Minnesota, at the Auditorium, December 12-23. This show will be a
general land products show of the Northwest

quantity of the crop. It has been estimated that this state alone has 1,000,000 acres suitable for apple culture. In Utah the production will probably double within the next three or four years, with the quality constantly improving. In New Mexico and Arizona the orchard area is being extended in some of the elevated districts, although the total acreage is not large. In Idaho and Montana planting in certain districts is active and the outlook is encouraging.

We have seen that for the immediate future doubtless there is to be a gradual increase in apple production throughout the Central West, and a rapid increase in the Inter-Mountain and Pacific Coast states. The question immediately arises, is there danger of over-production? In considering this question we should not lose sight of the inevitably rapid increase in demand. Apple buyers already come every year from Vladivostok, Siberia, to our Pacific Coast states. Some little trade in apples also exists with other parts of the Orient. What this may develop into within the next decade or two it

is hard to predict, but with better facilities for reaching the Asiatic millions the consumption of American apples in that quarter of the globe will naturally tend to increase, and there is a possibility that it may assume large proportions. Alaska grows no apples, but will increase in population with the further development of its resources, and surely will become an important apple market. The opening of the Panama canal will set in motion new currents of trade and stimulate others in a way that may well be expected to increase the demand for the products of all our orchards, including apples. With better facilities for refrigeration and transportation, both continental and oceanic, the outlet for apples in European and other foreign markets will be sufficient to act more and more as a very important factor in giving a steady tone to domestic prices.

One other factor, and possibly the most important, is the home demand. We have today in this country perhaps 90,000,000 of people. It is estimated that our population will reach 117,000,000 by 1920, 142,000,000 by 1930, 170,-

000,000 by 1940 and 200,000,000 or more by 1950. In other words, the next forty years is to see the population of the United States more than double. The outlook for a constant increase in the domestic trade is certainly good. The apple orchards of the continent seldom, or never, all yield to their full capacity in any one season. quently the actual crop produced is each year considerably less than the orchard capacity might lead one to expect. Tens of millions of trees of bearing age throughout the country are barren this year, and have been in other years, though, of course, it is not always the same trees that are without fruit. Seldom, indeed, is there a year like 1896, when every apple tree in the

United States seemed to be loaded with perfect fruit. Besides this, it is hardly reasonable to expect that the increase in acreage planted will result in a corresponding increase in crop production. Not all the apple trees which are being planted East and West will reach bearing age, and of those that do grow to maturity many will never come into profitable hearing. In the West particularly the growth in orchard area may be expected for some years to come to be relatively greater than the increase in apple production, because absentee ownership, inexperience in orchard management on the part of the newcomers, planting on unsuitable soils or in undesirable locations and other drawbacks will all combine to prevent a very considerable percentage of the newly planted trees in that part of the country from hecoming an important factor in crop production.

In view of all these considerations it appears that there is a good basis for the unmistakably optimistic feeling among intelligent growers and dealers as to the future of the apple industry in the United States. It is reasonable to expect that in spite of the active increase in planting in many parts of the West the supply of good fruit will not for any considerable period exceed the demand at prices remunerative to both grower and dealer, while the consumer may expect, and doubtless will, more and more demand better grading and hetter quality of fruit.

Production of Apples East of the Great Lakes

Professor U. P. Hedrick, Horticulturist Experiment Station, Geneva, New York, at Apple Shippers' meeting

HE subject your program committee has given me to discuss, "The Production of Apples East of the Great Lakes," is one peculiarly difficult to consider, as compared with a discussion of the Western apple area. Apples in the East are largely grown to supply local markets, whereas in the apple regions of the West most of the crop is sent to distant markets. Because of this, as a chief factor, the apple sections in the East are far less centralized than in the West, the individual orchards are much smaller, the numher of varieties is much greater and the methods of packing and selling are far more diverse. Add to these conditions another, namely, that the orchards in the West are comparatively young few being past their prime-whereas in the East they range from newly set stock to hoary-headed patriarchs, and it is plain that data is easier to obtain from the West, and is possibly more reliable. I say "possibly more reliable," for I sometimes think that the rosy apples of the West make everything look rosy to our Western brethren, and that it may be that the monstrous figures of acres and trees, carloads and boxes, big apples and dollars reflect the rosiness of the apples, and that Western figures are sometimes just a little colored. In presenting the data that follows I have done my best to overcome the difficulties named, and, with the co-operation of the station horticulturists and the leading fruit growers in the states to be considered, I hope to give you reliable data. In times past I have discovered that there are often great discrepancies hetween information given by fruit growers and that given hy fruit shippers. Now, mine are all fruit growers' data, and you who are mostly fruit shippers have my permission to translate them into fruit shippers' data, up or down, as the conditions of the season's markets may seem, in your judgment, to require.

Coming to my subject, we may as well begin with the New England states and with Maine. Apples are grown to some extent in every part of Maine. They are grown commercially,

however, mainly in the interior river valleys, especially those of the Androscoggin, Kennebec and Penobscot. The Baldwin easily heads the list as a commerical variety in this state, followed in order by Ben Davis, Northern Spy, Gravenstein, King, Stark, McIntosh, Hubbardston, Wealthy and Yellow Bellflower. Pests are numerous and very troublesome. The codling moth, brown tail moth, gypsy moth, railroad worm, curculio and apple scab are the worst of these. Spraying has not been a general practice in the state, but the gypsy and brown tail moths are slowly driving the fruit growers to spray. At present not more than 5 per cent of the commercial orchards are sprayed. Maine apple growers have not awakened to the necessity of tillage. Probably 95 per cent of the orchards are in sod; the cultivated 5 per cent acreage, however, show the value and the necessity of tillage if profitable quantities of apples are to be grown. The number of apple trees in Maine in 1900 was 4,187,781, producing 1,421,773 bushels of fruit. The number now is very considerably greater, the increase having taken place very largely within the past two years. The bearing acreage, however, at the present time is not much larger than 1900, the cold winters during the past decade having destroyed many trees. The outlook for apple growing in this state is promising. There is an awakened interest in the industry, and it should not be very long before Maine will be putting a considerable quantity of handsome, well flavored, long keeping apples on the market.

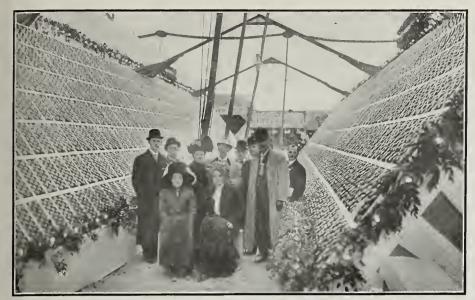
Apple growing in New Hampshire is very similar to the same industry in Maine. In New Hampshire in 1900 there were 2,034,400 trees, producing 1,978,797 bushels of fruit, the leading sorts being Baldwin, Rhode Island Greening, Roxbury Russet, Northern Spy, McIntosh, Yellow Bellflower and King. The Gravenstein can be well grown in this state, as in all parts of New England, and should be grown much more largely than at present.

Apples may he grown everywhere in this state, except in highest altitudes.

The number of trees in Vermont at the last census was 1,675,100, which gave the preceding seasons 1,176,800 bushels of apples. There are three distinct apple regions in Vermont, the most important of which is the Champlain region, stretching up to the St. Lawrence and Canada on the north. The speaker has never seen handsomer McIntosh and Northern Spy apples than come from this region. The second in importance is the upper Hudson River Valley region and the third the Connecticut River Valley. The best orchards and the best orchardists are found in the first region, where, however, there is a great chance for the improvement of both. The land about Lake Champlain, in Vermont, and the adjacent territory in New York ought to be planted wholly to apples, for nowhere can finer apples he grown. The chief hindrance to apple growing in the last two states is the apathy of the people. The farmers are, and have been for generations, general purpose farmers, and few of them are willing to specialize to the extent that is necessary to grow apples profitably.

Apples grow abundantly everywhere in Connecticut, but the fruit of highest color, finest texture and best quality comes from the rocky hills having an elevation of 1,500 feet. The number of trees in 1900 was 1,167,300, having produced 3,708,931 bushels of apples in 1899; large plantings have been made since the date given. The leading varieties are Baldwin, Rhode Island Greening, Roxbury Russet and Northern Spy. Most of the common apple pests are present, to which must be added the brown tail and gypsy moth, but very few spray and few cultivate. nothing wrong with the quantity and the quality of the apples grown in Connecticut when properly grown, but until the past two years there seems to have been little interest in the industry.

Apple growing in Rhode Island is but poorly developed, nor does the state offer much for the future, the climate and soil being illy adapted to the cul-



Views of the National Apple Show, Spokane, 1910
Showing a car of Spitzenbergs exhibited by C. H. Sproat, Hood River, Oregon, winning the sweepstakes and first prize for Spitzenbergs, and a ear of Newtowns exhibited by Avery Brothers, Hood River, winning the first prize for Newtowns. This was one of many similar exhibits last year, there being about twenty-five cars on exhibition. The Fourth National Apple Show will be held this year at Spokane, November 23-30, and it promises to be a better show than ever before, and we might add that the National Apple Show of Spokane has never been equaled by any other apple show

ture of this fruit. It is not likely the aereage will soon vary much from that at present planted, which is 213,598 trees, producing 329,445 bushels of apples, chiefly Baldwins, Greenings, Russets and Spies.

In spite of the fact that the people of Massachusetts probably consume more apples than other people on the same area, the state can now hardly be said to grow apples commercially, the number of trees in 1900 being but 1,852,000, with the yield of 3,023,400 bushels of fruit. The amateur fruit grower is probably better developed in Massachusetts than in any other part of the Union, and the people are a home-loving people, so that the great majority of the trees given in the figures above are in home orchards. Apples can, however, be grown very well in almost any part of the state, and particularly so in Worcester County, about Grafton, Salem, Newburyport and Haverhill. The Baldwin is, by all odds, the leading variety, with Greening, McIntosh and the Spy next in importance, though close to Boston Williams' Early, Gravenstein, Wealthy and early sorts are grown considerably. The brown tail, gypsy and codling moths and San Jose scale are the chief orchard pests and do untold damage, still not more than 10 per cent of the orchardists spray; about the same number cultivate. There is a great revival of interest in Massachusetts, and during the past two years many trees have been set.

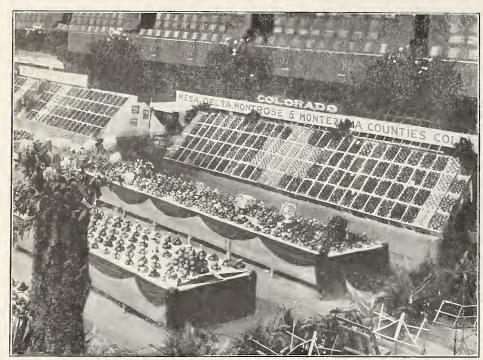
New York contains more than twice the number of trees, more than twice the acreage and more than double the yielding capacity in apples of the six New England states, and leads all the states of the Union in commercial apple growing. The number of trees in New York in 1900 was 15,054,832, yielding the year previous 24,111,300 bushels. The above figures will be increased in the census just being taken by at least one-sixth. Apples may be grown profitably in any part of New York, where agriculture is practiced, and commercial orchards are found in practically all parts of the state. There are, however, three chief apple districts, the most important of which is the region about the central lakes and northward to Lake Ontario. The several counties in this great area probably produce more apples than are grown in any region of equal size in the world. The chief asset of this apple belt is the climate, which is comparatively uniform in both temperature and humidity, brought about by the large, deep bodies of water surrounding the region. Here is the home of the Baldwin, the Greening and the Roxbury Russet-all far famed for quality and quantity. The region on both sides of the Hudson, from Long Valley to Lake George, comprises the second most important apple region; added to the three sorts named above, Jonathan, Spitzenberg and Newtown Pippin are grown. The high and

rolling land tributary to Lake Champlain and the St. Lawrence River is splendidly adapted to apple growing. Northern Spy, McIntosh and Fameuse grow as well here as these varieties can possibly be grown. As yet this region is little developed, and anyone who has seen the fruit grown here knows that it promises well for the future. Besides the varieties named, Hubbardston, Baldwin, Wealthy, Bellflower, Tolman Sweet, Oldenburg, Gilliflower and other less known sorts are generally grown in all parts of the state. The apple tree in all parts of New York is large, productive and long lived, and the fruit is most excellent in quality, lacking, however, the size and, more important, the handsome color of the apples grown in Western regions. The insect and fungous diseases found in the state are kept fairly well under control in commercial orchards by spraying, and there is a growing tendency to till, prune and otherwise care for the trees. Still the apple in this state, as in all Eastern states, has been grown for over two centuries as an adjunct to the farm, and to neglect the trees is "bred in the bone." Lack of care is the curse of fruit growing in New York, not onequarter of the orchards receiving anywhere near the attention necessary to grow the best fruit. The outlook, however, is brightening. Apple culture is proving one of the most remunerative crops grown in the state, and with the advent of many growers from the cities and a new generation of growers on the farms, and with the educational work of Cornell University, the three secondary schools of agriculture, the Department of Agriculture and the experiment station, better conditions are everywhere apparent in apple growing in New York. With proper care of the trees now in existence the product of first class fruit might easily be doubled in quantity. The acreage can be multiplied many times in the state, as scarcely a tithe of the apple lands in New York are now planted.

The number of apple trees and productiveness of the trees in Pennsylvania are surprising to those who have



Exhibit at Oregon Apple Show and State Horticultural Meeting in 1910, which will give some idea of what the show will be this year in Portland, Oregon, November 15-17



Prize Winning Colorado and Idaho Apples Exhibited at the National Horticultural Congress at Council Bluffs in 1910. This show will be held this year at St. Joseph, Missouri November 23-December 2, and promises to be conducted on a much larger scale than ever before

not looked at the figures. In 1900 there were 11,774,200 trees, producing 24,-060,600 hushels of fruit. We do not usually eount Pennsylvania as one of the great apple states, but these figures place it among the leading half dozen. A study of the census report, however, shows that the industry is not specialized and the product is not largely commercialized, the trees being very evenly distributed about the farming communities of the state, and the apples being largely used by the growers and the local markets; still there are several regions in Pennsylvania in which fruit is grown commercially as the Cumherland Valley, especially in Adams and Franklin County, in the territory south of Pittsburg; also that north of Wilkesbarre, particularly Wyoming County. Somerset County, in the southwest, is also a producing region of growing importance. In the southern districts York Imperial, Ben Davis, Grimes Golden, Winesap and Rome Beauty are particularly well adapted to climate and soil; in the northern parts of the state Spy, Baldwin and King are largely grown, with liberal sprinklings of Greenings, Winesaps and a few Bell-flowers. The diseases are not well under control owing to the fact that few of the orchards are commercial plantations. The trees are not well cared for in other respects as in tillage and pruning. In some parts of Pennsylvania there is a veritable boom in apple growing, and the number of trees has greatly increased since the 1900 census. There is an abundance of eheap lands admirably adapted to the growing of apples, and near local markets which want apples and can pay for them. Pennsylvania is destined to be one of the great apple states of the Union, but the mining and manufacturing towns of the state will probably consume all the fruit produced,

and more for years to come, if the product is properly marketed.

New Jersey is famous for its early apples, and most of the commercial orehards of the state are planted with early varieties, as Yellow Transparent, Early Williams and Starr, followed by Maiden Blush and Wealthy; for late sorts Winesap, Rome Beauty, Ben Davis and York Imperials are largely grown. The total number of trees for the state is 1,810,800, producing 4,640,-900 bushels of fruit. The orchards are chiefly located in Gloucester, Camden and Burlington Counties, in the southern part of the state, though there are good orchard locations in the northern counties, especially Hunterdon. Fruit trees in New Jersey have suffered terribly with the scale, and apple growers have very generally been forced to spray. The land is for most part light, so that all fruits must be cultivated if large yields are seeured. Fruit growing is just beginning to recover from the terrible onsloughts of San Jose scale, and tree planting is more and more common.

The conditions of apple growing in Delaware do not differ materially from those prevailing in New Jersey. last census gives the number of trees as 567,618, producing 702,900 bushels of apples. Practically all of the commercial orchards in this state are in what is known as the Camden and Wyoming districts in northern Kent County and in northern Sussex County. apples as are grown in other parts of the state are used by the growers; the soil is light and the climate mild in Delaware, giving particularly advantageous conditions for the growing of early apples, of which Yellow Transparent, Early Ripc, Fourth of July, Williams and Red Astrachan are the leading varietics; the late sorts are the same as those named for New Jersey.

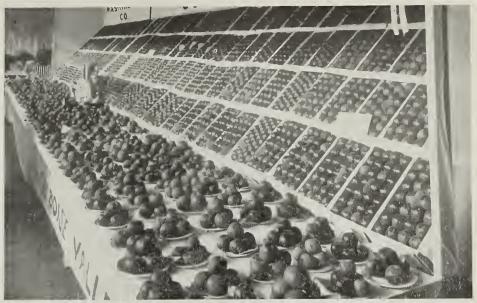
The pests are the same as in the Northern states, with one exception, namely, the bitter rot, which begins to creep in from the South, and is possibly the worst foe the apple grower in Delaware has to contend with. The hlight, too. does rather more damage than farther north. Apple growers must spray, as San Jose scale is everywhere and the sandy soils compel rather careful cultivation. One of my correspondents in this state reports that the increase in bearing trees since 1900 is probably about 5 per cent, but he estimates that in non-bearing trees it is possibly 1,000 per cent, since thousands of acres have been set out every year during the past few years. He further states that Delaware is to be known as an apple state instead of a peach state in the years to come, and that the apple outlook is brighter than for any other crop in the state.

The apple regions of Maryland are found in the northern two-thirds of the eastern shore, the northern portion of the state and in the highlands of Western Maryland. In the first regions the soil and conditions are practically those given for Delaware; in the north and west the soils are heavier, with clay and gravel loams predominating; on the eastern shore the varieties grown are those named for Delaware, but in the other portions of the state the York Imperial and Ben Davis are more largely grown than any other varieties, followed by Stayman Winesap, Grimes Golden and Rome Beauty. The usual pests are to be found, to which must be added the "bitter rot." Commercial orchardists very generally spray and cultivate their orchards; home growers seldom do so. Apples are being largely planted in Maryland, and the 1,824,200 trees given in the 1900 census can now probably be increased by 25 per cent, while the productive capacity given in the same census of 3,150,700 bushels might possibly be increased by 5 per cent.

Apple culture in America began in Virginia. Plantings of apples were made on the Jamestown Island in 1607. The London Company imported many scions in 1672, and before 1700 orchards of considerable size had been planted. Among the famous orchards of Virginia is the one at Mon-ticello, planted by Thomas Jefferson, fruit from which won supremacy in the New World. Virginia is separated into six physical divisions, known as Tidewater, Middle Virginia, Piedmont, The Valley, Blue Ridge and the Appalachian Region. The apples which have won renown for this state are for most parts grown in The Valley and the Piedmont divisions. Piedmont, with an altitude of ahout 1,000 feet, with a dark red clay soil, is famous the world over for its almost per-fect Albemarle and Winesap apples. Orchards in coves, on hillsides barely tillable, yield fabulous returns, individual trees having often produced in one season \$100 worth of Albemarle Pippins. The Valley, however, leads in apple production so far as quantity is concerned. The soil is limestone, especially adapted to the growing of York Imperials and Ben Davis, though such sorts as Early May, Red June, Early Harvest for the earlies, and Sweet Bough, Maidens Blush, Pennock, Fallawater, Smokehouse and Winesap are also largely grown here. The total number of trees for the state is 8,190,-000, which produced in 1899 9,836,000 bushels of fruit. Orchard pests are numerous and are not under control; cultivation, except in the best kept commercial orchards, is as yet scarcely known; even in the famous Piedmont orchards, which produce the wonderful Albemarle Pippins, the trees are poorly cared for. As in the states to the north, there is at present a revival in apple planting and thousands of young trees are being put out.

West Virginia is forging to the front in the production of apples, the chief regions being known as the Northern Panhandle and the Eastern Panhandle. The great apple of the Northern Panhandle is the Willow Twig, followed by the Ben Davis and Rome Beauty; in the Eastern Panhandle the York Imperial, Ben Davis, Grimes Golden, Winesap and Mammoth Black Twig are planted in about the order given. Spraying has become quite general in Ihe Eastern Panhandle, but is not practiced much in the northern. Orchardists, however, have made very great advances in spraying in this state in the last few years. As in Virginia, cultivation is not making headway. The fact that the orchards are mostly on hilly ground makes it impossible to cultivate many of the orchards in this state. The only figures available for apple growing in West Virginia are those of the 1900 census, which give 5,441,100 trees, producing 7,495,700 bushels of fruit in 1899.

We do not usually think of North Carolina as an apple state, and yet the census figures place it away above the average among the states of the Union in apple production. These figures are for 1900: 6,438,900 trees, producing 4,662,700 bushels of fruit. The apple orchards of the state are for most part



Southern Idaho Apples on Exhibition at the National Horticultural Congress at Council Bluffs in 1910, which will give some idea of what the show will be this year at St. Joseph, Missouri, November 23 to December 2

in the western mountains of North Carolina, where the soil and climate is much the same as in West Virginia; the leading varieties are Winesap, York Imperial, Rome Beauty and Ben Davis. Spraying and cultivation are practiced, but to a limited extent. Many orchards are being set and apple growing is becoming popular in the regions adapted to it.

Apples are not largely grown commercially in South Carolina, although in the Piedmont and Alpine regions, ranging in elevation from 400 to 3,000 feet, apples can be grown in tempting variety. The fertile valleys and mountain coves in these regions, under the manipulation of skillful hands and a competent head, would make apple growing profitable, even this far south. The latest figures give the number of trees as 694,700, producing but 251,700 bushels of fruit, most of which is, of course, consumed by the growers.

It is scarcely to be believed that Georgia contains more apple trees than

the average New England state, yet such is the case, the number being 2,036,000 trees, a larger number than in any New England state, excepting Maine. The production, however, for the year in which the census was taken was low, being but 670,900 bushels. All the commercial orchards of apples are in what is known as the Tennessee dip, where in the mountain coves apples thrive as well as in any of the states in the North, Pickens, Gilmer, Murray and Fannin Counties being famous for their apples. In some of the mountain coves of this state neither insects nor fungous pests named for the Northern states, are to be found. For most part the apple orcharding in this state is crude and primitive so far as care of the trees is concerned. For summer apples Red Astrachan, Yellow Transparent, Early Harvest and Red June are grown; the leading winter apples are Ben Davis, Winesap, Rome Beauty, Terry, Yates and Arkansas Black. In the counties named apple growing ought to succeed, as the local markets are excellent, with Cuba, Mexico and South America promising well for outside markets. Labor here, as in all of the Southern states, is comparatively cheap. Some of the men who have been growing peaches in Georgia are now turning their attention to apples, expecting greater certainty in the growing of this fruit than with the peach.

Alabama is not often counted among the states producing apples, nevertheless it has 2,015,700 trees, producing 719,200 bushels of fruit. The number of trees is about the same as in New Hampshire, but the yield is less. The apple region of Alabama is a continuation of that of Georgia, and the conditions noted for the latter state hold in Alabama.

Quite surprising are the apple figures of Tennessee, this state having 7,714,000 trees, producing 5,387,800 bushels of fruit. Apples are grown in all parts of the state, except in low river bottoms.



Commercial Exhibit of Apples and Canned Goods from Utah, at National Land and Irrigation Exposition, Chicago, in 1910, showing one of a thousand or more features that will be on exhibition at this show this year at the Coliseum Chicago, Illinois, November 18 to December 9



Splendid Carload of Newtowns Exhibited by A. D. Hellam, Ashland, Oregon, Winning the Second Prize at the National Apple Show at Spokane in 1910. The dates for this year's show are from November 23 to November 30

The sorts commonly grown are Ben Davis, Rome Beauty, Winesap and York Imperials, though many varieties less well known are to be found in what are practically all home orchards. The insects and diseases are those common in the apple, to which may be added, as in all Southern states, the dreaded scourge, bitter rot. Spraying and cultivation are hardly practiced and there are but few commercial orchards. There seems to be an awakened interest in apple growing in this state, but not much may be expected in commercial channels from apples grown in Tennessee for some time to come.

Northward from Tennessee apple growing becomes more and more important, Kentucky having 8,757,200 trees, producing 6,053,700 bushels of fruit. The apple sections of this state are in the northern part, about the cities of Cincinnati, Louisville and in Oldham, Trimble, Meade, Brecken-ridge and Harden Counties. There are possibilities also of growing apples in the eastern portion of the state. The best apples in Kentucky are grown in the hilly regions, on thin and rather stony soil. The leading varieties are Ben Davis, Rome Beauty, Winesap and York Imperial. Correspondents in this state doubt whether three per cent spray, and probably not that many cultivate. The increase in orchard plantings has not been large during the past ten years. Local prices are high, and there are no reasons why Kentucky ought not at least to supply its own markets with fruit, which it does not now do.

Ohio probably ranks third or fourth in the production of apples in the United States, the number of trees being 12,952,600, producing 20,617,500

bushels of fruit. Apples are grown in all parts of the state, but the chief regions for commercial plantations are in the northern part, near the lakes and in the hilly southern portions of the state. The varieties grown in Northern Ohio are Baldwin, Greening, Northern Spy and Rome Beauty; in the southern region Rome Beauty, York Imperial, Jonathan, Grimes Golden and Winesap. The pests in the northern part of the state are the same as those in all the Northern states; in the southern they are practically the same as in all Southern states. Commercial apple growers, of course, spray. Home orchards, which contain the great majority of the trees in the state, are seldom sprayed; both home and commercial plantations are largely in sod, Ohio being the one state in the Union in which fruit growers are very generally taught that apples and sod go well together. There has been little increase in bearing orchards since 1900, but there has been a number of new plantings made since that time. It is probable that Ohio does not now produce nearly enough apples to supply the home consumption, but it is not likely that this condition will last longer than the time when the present plantations come into bearing.

Indiana is another of the states which has a surprisingly large number of apple trees, the great majority of which, however, are in home orchards. The last census gave as the total number 8,624,600 trees, producing 8,620,300 bushels of fruit. The plantations being well distributed over the state, although if commercial apple growing ever attains importance in Indiana, as it must in time, it will be in the northern third and the southern third of the state. The varieties grown in these two

parts are essentially the same as those grown in Northern and Southern Ohio; the pests, too, are the same as noted for that state; spraying is carried on in most of the commercial orchards, but the spray outfit is seldom seen in a home plantation in Indiana, nor is the cultivator an orchard implement of much use in this state. There seems to be a veritable boom in apple planting in the southern part of the state, and it is likely, if success attends the present efforts and the planting continues, that Southern Indiana will soon be a considerable factor in the apple markets of the country.

Michigan, as all know, is usually counted as one of the apple growing states of the North, the region in which this fruit grows covering the southern peninsula. Nature certainly intended this state for the apple, and only the apathy of the people tilling the soil has kept it from being a greater factor in the apple markets than it now is. About half the people in Michigan are descendants of settlers from New York, and since the climate and soils are much the same, practically the same varieties are grown here as in the older state, but on the whole orcharding is not as far advanced as in New York. Spraying is not as well performed and the operation is less common. Comparatively few, outside of the peach belt, cultivate their apple orchard, and in other ways the plantations are somewhat neglected. Recent freezes in the peach belt have driven many who formerly grew peaches to the growing of apples, and the industry seems to have an impetus from other causes in other parts of the state than the peach belt, so that during the past few years a great increase has been made in the number of trees. It is doubtful if the bearing capacity is not greater now than ten years ago, when the figures were 10,927,900 trees, producing 8,931,-

600 bushels of fruit. Finally, the grand total number of apple trees in the twenty-two states under discussion was 116,990,973 in 1900, producing the year previous 141,833,872 bushels of fruit. It is doubtful, from the information that I can gather, whether the bearing capacity in these twenty-two states has been greatly increased during the past ten years, but it is probable that the number of trees has greatly increased in spite of the fact that many of the old orchards are going out. Practically all of the men with whom I have corresponded have mentioned the fact that apples are being more largely planted than ever in their states, especially there seems to have been a tremendous impulse to plant apples during the past four or five years, and this impulse has not yet reached its height. The planting is done by men who will specialize in apple growing and who will produce not only more fruit from a given area, but fruit of a better quality. This whole region is one of possibilities rather than achievements, and apple growing and its potentialities are but beginning to be appreciated by land owners. In all the Eastern states the

great drawback to apple growing is the lack of care. With the tremendous handicap of apathy and shiftless orcharding the apple industry of the East is insignificant in quality and quantity of fruit to what it might be. One last look at apple figures and I am done. The total number of trees in the United States in 1900 was 201,-794,642, and these produced in 1899 175,417,700 bushels of apples. About two-thirds of the trees in the country

are east of the Mississippi, and these ten years ago produced over sixsevenths of the apples consumed by the American people. We shall all look forward to the figures of the census now being taken.

An Analysis of Western Spraying Methods

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URING a study of the methods of spraying for codling moth I had occasion to correspond with a number of fruit growers at the close of the 1909 season. The list of correspondents was made up of the prize winners of the Apple Show at Spokane that year, with a few others added, to whom I had previously been writing about codling moth spraying. Inasmuch as these letters, when collected, brought out much interesting information as to present-day methods of spraying in the Northwest, I sent out an additional set of inquiries at the close of last season. Some of the letters went to districts where there is no codling moth; some brought back answers which were too indefinite to use; but, nevertheless, a goodly number of reports were secured worth recording. The replies, representing some fifteen hundred acres. may be considered as an elaborate practical experiment. They show how well or how poorly the fruit growers have succeeded in the fight against the moth. In a limited way they show the practices of spraying followed in the various districts. The fruit grower of tomorrow can well profit by the examples of the more successful, if not of the majority. Obviously, there is error in the final results. A hundred observers will give a hundred interpretations of the condition of the orchards, but as the errors are as apt to be on one side as the other the total should average somewhere near the truth.

In the table herewith I group the figures by districts, showing which sprayings were given, the number of gallons of spray made with each pound of arsenate of lead, the method of spraying, the total crop in boxes and the amount of loss. In indicating the date of the sprayings this system of abbreviations is used: First spraying: a, at end of blossoming; b, immediately repeated. Second spraying, for first brood: c, one to two weeks after blossoming; d, two to four weeks after blossoming; e, four to eight weeks after blossoming. Third spraying, for second brood: f, July. Fourth spraying, for second brood: g, August. Fifth spraying, for third brood: h, September.

An analysis of these records will be worth while. In the first place it will be remembered that the year 1909 was generally considered as a "worm year," while the year 1910 showed much less worminess. Reduced to figures this idea is sustained, for 6.5 per cent of the 100,000 boxes reported in 1909 became wormy, while but 3 per cent of the

300,000 boxes were infested the next year. The explanation is not so much that the season was hot and dry, or that there was a dearth of parasites, or that the brands of lead were below grade, or that fewer sprayings were given, but is mainly that the 1909 crop was generally short, in some districts markedly so, and a small crop means a higher percentage of worms. The total number of codling moths the country over remains nearly constant year after year, so when there is but little fruit

the moths must concentrate their attacks on the few apples, and then there is a greater chance that the apple will become wormy. But, compared acre by acre for the two years, there were almost exactly eleven boxes wormy to the acre each year. The excessive worminess of 1909 was due to the lighter crop and not to an actual greater abundance of worms.

To show the value of spraying once, twice or more times the foregoing tables are summarized: In 1909, nine-

1909 WENATCHEE VALLEY

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	T	For-				Tower	crop.	Boxes	Pct.
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2, 3,	Cashmerea	1:50	6		165	.,,0	1,500	20	
4,	Wenateheea	1:50	15	P	Yes	Yes	2,680	5	• • •
5.	Wenateheea	1:40	3	P	Yes	No	1,250	275	(1)
Ĝ	Wengtebee a c	1:33	5	2Ĥ	Yes	Yes	2,400	150	
7,	Wenatehee a, d	1:20	5	H	No	No	3,200	80	
8,	Wenateheea, f	1:25	5	P	Yes	Yes	1,500	$1_{/2}$	
9,	Wenatcheea, f	1:33	30	P	Yes	Yes	18,000	180	
10,	Wenatcheea, f	1:25	4	P	Yes	No	2,800	140	
11,	Wenateheea, f	1:33	8	P	Yes	Yes	2,500	175	
1-,		1:17	6	H	Yes	No	2,500	150	
13,	Cashmerea, f	1:17	7	P	Yes	No	1,000	50	
14,	Cashmerea, f	1:33	7	H	Yes	No	900	18	• •
15,	Wenateneea, d, 1, g	1:30	10	P	Yes	Yes	9,000	900	1/2
16,	Cashmerea, c, f, g	(3)	• •						1/2
	YAKIMA VALLEY								
17,	KionaNone		4						95
18,	Sunnysidea	1:50	2	į.	Yes	Yes	1,400	1-(
	Naches a h	1:50	$\tilde{6}$	è	Yes	Yes	900	18	
20.	Naehesa, b Grangera, c	1:33	20	P	Yes	No	3,000	300	
21,	North Yakimaa, e	1.00	16	P	Yes	Yes	4,800	480	
22,	Prosser a d	1:40	2	H	Yes	Yes			65
23,	North Yakima	1:33	1	Ĥ	Yes	No	750	115	
24,	North Yakima d, f, h	(4)							25
25,	North Yakimaa, f, h	1:25	80	P	Yes	No			10 - 30
26,	Toppenisha, f, g, h	1:25	3	P	Yes	No	1,050	10	
27,	Selaha, c, d, e, g	1:33	11	H	Yes.	No	6,160	185	
28,	Toppenish a, f, g, h Selah a, c, d, e, g Alfalfa a, e, f, g, h								66
29,	Mabtona, d, e, f, f, g.	1:33	3						$1/_{2}$
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30,	Omaka,a	1:50	$\frac{10}{2}$	P	Yes	Yes	1 000	120	6
31, 32,	Okanoganaa.	1:50	$\frac{2}{2}$	2 H	Yes	No	1,000	150	• • •
33,	Peachaa	1:33	15	H	No Yes	No No	1,200	300	10
31,	Cedoniaa	$1:50 \\ 1:30$	6	P	No	No	800	250	
35,	Ophira, e, f White Salmona	1:40	7	Ĥ	Yes	No	1,500		(5)
36.	White Salmona	1:50	20	Ĥ	Yes	Yes	4,800	15	(,
00,					100	res	1,000	10	• • •
	S.	POKANE	VICI	NITY					
37,	MeadNone		14				500	125	
38,	Kieslingaa	1:50	3	P	Yes	No			50
39,	Meadaa.	1:25	5	H	Yes	Yes	3,500	11	
40,	Foothillaa	1:50	15	P	Yes	Yes			12
41,	Chester a, b Spokane a, e Foothill d	(3)	8	4.1	221	No	21111	1,250	10
12,	Spokanea, e	1:50	6	P	Yes		5,000		
45,	France of	1:20	٠.	2H	No	No	600	140	20
14,	Freemana, f	1:17 1:30	3	H	No	No	7,000	70	
16,	Green Bluffa, g	1:40	14	P P	Yes	No No	3,000	1,500	
17	Hillyarda, h Foothilla, e, f	1:50	$\begin{array}{c} 30 \\ 15 \end{array}$	P	Yes Yes	Yes	5,000	1,000	
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48,	Farmingtona		86	P					3-10
49,	FarmingtonNone		5						75
50,	Farmington None Garfield	1:33	17	P	Xo	No	2,000	100	
5ļ,	Garfield	1:50	8	P	Yes	No			2
52.	Pullmanaa.	1:33	32	^{6}P	Yes	No			15
53,	Daytona, e, g ⁸	1:35	100	<u>.</u> .	Yes	Yes			1
54,	Dayton a, e, gs Waitsburg a, d, f Walla Walla a, e, f, g	1:50	7	P	Yes	No			5
55,	Walla Wallaa, e, f, g	1:25	14	P	Yes	No			20
	State NO	T IN W	ASHIN	GTON					
56	Indianaaa	1:17	35	7H	No	Yes	1,800	720	
57	Colorado a	$\frac{1:17}{1:20}$	- 33 5	2H	No No	No.	1,800 $1,250$	100	• •
58	Idaho		ð	-n H					75
59.	Idahoa, d, f, g		80	p					2
60.	Oregon, Rogue Rvr.a, f	1:17	7	H	No	No	2.500	75	
61.	Oregon, Rogue Rvr.a, d, g	1:17	9	Ĥ	Yes	No	3,200	4	
62,	Oregon, Rogue Rvr.a, e, g	1:17		P	Yes	Yes	21,000	1,500	
	Oregon, Rogue Rvr.a, e, g Large trees. ² Vermorel nozzle. ³ I	Dust spra	ty. 4	Dust sp	ray; ve	ery light	t crop.	5 Two w	ormy
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1910 ENATCHEE VALLEY

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			ower or			Total			
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Town Spraying 1, Cashmerea	mula 1:50	$rac{age}{10}$	pump P	used Yes	used No	7,000	$\begin{array}{c} wormy \\ \textbf{200} \end{array}$	w'my	
2, Cashmereaa	1:50	4	P	Yes	No	2,400	1		
3, Cashmereaa		10	P	Yes	No	5,500	6		
4, Wenatcheea	1:40	$\frac{2}{10}$	ė,	Yes	No	$\frac{1,115}{4,300}$	5 20	• •	
5, Cashmere a, b 6, Wenatchee a, c 7, Cashmere a, d 8, Wenatchee a, f 9, Wenatchee a, f 10, Wenatchee a, f 11, Wenatchee a, c 12, Wenatchee a, d, f 13, Wenatchee a, d, f 14, Malaga a, d, g 15, Cashmere a, e, h 16, Wenatchee a, b, e, g 17, Wenatchee a, d, f	1:30	7	2 P	No	Yes	3,550	200		
7, Cashmerea, d	1:33	7	H	Yes	No	6,500	40		
8, Wenatcheea, f	1:17	30	P	Yes	Yes	7,000	350		
9, Wenatchee a, f	1:33 1:40	36 12	P P	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	$31,000 \\ 12,000$	600 500		
11, Wenatcheea, c, f	1:50	16	P	Yes	Yes	12,500	100		
12, Wenateheea, d, f	1:33	7	P	Yes	No	1,350	170		
13, Wenateheea, d, f	1:33	5	·P	Yes	Yes	3,500	70		
14, Malagaa, d, g 15, Cashmerea, e, h	1:25 1:33	$\frac{5}{30}$	P P	Yes Yes	No No	$\frac{1,540}{9,870}$	$\frac{200}{200}$		
16, Wenateheea, b, e, g	1:25	6	P	Yes	No	3,000	50		
17, Wenatcheea, d, f g8	1:33	8	P	Yes	Yes	8,000	350		
YAKIMA VALLEY									
18, Grandviewa	1:50	10	P	Yes	Yes	10,000	100		
19, North Yakimaa	1:40	1	P	Yes	Yes	1,500	45		
20, Nacnes	1:50	10	P	Yes	Yes	8,727	1	(1)	
21, Prossera, c, f 22, Zillaha, b, d, f	1:30 1:50	$\frac{7}{40}$	H P	Yes Yes	No Yes	8,000	3,000	50	
23, North Yakimaa, d, e, f	1:50	12	P	Yes	No	0,000	3,000	5	
	1:25	80	P	Yes	Yes	13,000	400		
25, Sunnysidea, d, f, g	1:33	10	H	No	No	5,000	50		
26, Wapatoa, b, f, g, h 27, Prossera, e, e, f, g	1:25 1:33	3	P H	Yes Yes	No No	$\frac{3,100}{1,800}$	$\begin{array}{c} 75 \\ 300 \end{array}$		
28, Zillaha, c, f, g, h	1.00	1	11	Yes	No	5,000	100		
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53, Daytona.	1:40	90	P	Yes	Yes	68,000			
53, Daytona, d	1:40	10	P	Yes	Yes			(4)	
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1. Checks wormy. 2 Vermorel nozzle. 3 Dust spray. 4 "Seconds" no wormicr. 5 Twelve wormy apples. 6 Ten earloads. 7 Friend nozzle. 8 Part sprayed. 9 Barrels.

teen growers used 1 spray on 288 acres, with 664 boxes wormy of 30,553, or 2.1 per cent; seventeen growers used two sprays on 263 acres, with 4,394 boxes wormy of 55,200, or 7.75 per cent; five growers used three sprays on 98 acres, with 365 boxes wormy of 1,550, 23 per cent; five growers used four or more sprays on 41 acres, with 1,095 boxes wormy of 16,210, or 6.7 per cent. In 1910, twenty-one growers used 1 spray on 309 acres, having 954 boxes wormy of 130,628, or 0.73 per cent; ten growers used two sprays on 196 acres, having 2,101 boxes wormy of 93,500, or 2.24 per cent; ten growers used three sprays on 118 acres, having 1,489 boxes wormy of 40,834, or 3.64 per cent; thirteen growers used four to seven sprays on 212 acres, having 4,700 boxes wormy of 55,800, or 8.42 per cent.

Adding together the results of the two years shows that a single application of spray has averaged but 1 per cent of loss, two applications have averaged 4.5 per cent, three application the same, while those who gave four or more sprayings lost 8 per cent of their crop. Paradoxical as it may seem, the more sprayings given the poorer the results. Professor C. P. Gillette has gathered similar statistics for Colorado, and writes that his results tally exactly. However, the explanation is simple. One grower concentrates all his efforts on the single application, the other, intending to depend on later applications anyway, slights the spraying of the blossoms.

Practically all the fruit growers of the Northwest use arsenates of lead now. Our own recommendations are to use one pound to fifty gallons, but the majority of orchardists, influenced by the directions on the container, apply it stronger. Experimental tests

have shown that the strength of the is immaterial. When spray applied one pound to eighty gallons has given us as complete immunity from worms as one to ten. The results of the practical fruit growers bear out this assertion, as is shown by the following summary: twenty-six growers used 1 pound to 50 gallons on 331 acres, with 5,007 boxes wormy out of 87,554 boxes, or 5.6 per cent loss; sixty growers used 1 to 2 pounds to 50 gallons on 1,009 acres, with 10,056 boxes wormy out of 305,544 boxes, or 3.3 per cent loss; fourteen growers used 2 to 5 pounds to 50 gallons on 247 acres, with 8,305 boxes wormy out of 60,300 boxes, or 13.6 per cent loss. The less successful grower is the one who inclines to the stronger formula. I have noticed again and again that in criticising his own methods the less successful grower always ascribes his worms to too weak a spray or to too few applications. Next year he intends to give a fifth spraying in August and will try three pounds to the barrel. What he needs instead is to give better spraying, not oftener. The most popular strength of spray in Washington is three pounds to one hundred gallons, but one-third of the growers are using it stronger than that. A very small percentage still use the dust spray for the late applications.

The success of the Western method depends upon forcing spray through the crown of stamen bars and into the lower calyx cup. This cannot be done by low pressure, or by a misty spray, or by throwing the spray up into the tree. To wet the inside of the blossom demands that a coarse spray be shot down from above the blossoms with considerable force. To get a coarse, penetrating spray our growers have practically all abandoned the Vermorel style of nozzle in favor of the Bordeaux. The seven growers reported above who sprayed with the Vermorel nozzles lost 1,690 boxes out of the crop of 13,400 boxes, or 12.6 per cent. For the same period the hundred growers who used the Bordeaux nozzle had an average loss of 3.7 per cent. 72 per cent do their spraying with gasoline engine power, and many of them maintain a pressure of between 250 and 300 pounds, a thing unheard of a few ycars ago. 91 per cent have adopted the "crook," a little device I first suggested to the Bean Spray Pump Company to manufacture, the popularity of which is thus attested. This attachment places the nozzle at an angle of fortyfive degrees, and greatly facilitates directing the spray down into the blossoms. Many a grower has remarked that the crook is worth its weight in gold to him. Where the trees grow taller than the reach of the extension rod a "tower" is used, and this has been adopted by 42 per cent of the Washington growers. That the number is not larger speaks for the lowheaded, low-trimmed trees so characteristic of the Western commercial orchard. The tower needs to be tall enough to enable the topmost branches to be sprayed. Many of the growers

simply spray from the tank. Often the blossom spraying is given in this way and then immediately repeated from the ground. The importance of filling the calyx cup is further brought out by the experience of three growers who omitted the calyx application. These men averaged 25, 50 and 75 per

The lesson that this study teaches is this: The calyx cup must be filled, and this demands high pressure, the Bordeaux nozzle, crook and tower. The power sprayer is more conducive to success than the hand pump. Two to three pounds of arsenate of lead will be amply sufficient to one hundred gallons, and it makes no difference what particular brand of lead you use. The spraying must be done immediately after blossoming, at which time every blossom must be filled. If these details are neglected no amount of after spraying will guarantee 100 per cent returns. It is not the number of times you spray that counts, but how well you give the blossom treatment. This is the theory. The analysis of the growers' reports shows that the theory is consistent with practice.



Avenue of Prize Winning Carloads of Jonathans and Mixed Varieties, Exhibited by Richcy & Gilbert Company, North Yakima, Washington, at the National Apple Show, Spokane, Washington, in 1910

Further back in the picture is the first prize winning carload of Winesaps, of which we were unable to secure a picture. The Yakima Valley is one of the largest apple producing sections of the Northwest and will have a splendid exhibit at the Spokane National Apple Show this year, November 23 to 30

Apple Growing and Orchard Management in New England

By C. D. Jarvis, Experiment Station, Storrs, Connecticut

THE business of fruit growing is usually regarded as one of the most specialized lines of agriculture and is commonly conducted on small farms under intensive culture. This, however, is not generally the case in New England. Here a large proportion of the fruit comes either from very large plantations, as is the case with peaches, or from small orchards on diversified farms, as is the case with apples. The apple orchards of New England vary in size from a few trees around the house or along a line of fence to the commercial plantations of many acres. The average size probably does not exceed one or two acres. The chief advantage of specialization in agricultural enterprises is that the farmer may become an expert in his particular line. This feature as applied to fruit growing is offset by many disadvantages. The fruit crop requires attention but part of the year, and there is much loss in unused capital, labor, teams and tools during the remainder of the year. In many cases fruit could be produced much cheaper if certain other crops were grown, or if some kind of livestock were kept. One of the most successful farmers of Connecticut has formulated a system on his farm that seems to be very satisfactory. His principal business is peach growing. For the purpose of utilizing his capital, goods and labor the year round he grows grass and fattens lambs. The men and teams are kept busy in the hay fields from the time cultivation ceases in the orchards till peach picking commences. After the peach harvest is over their atten-

tion is given to the care of the lambs

and the hauling of the hay to market and the manure to the field.

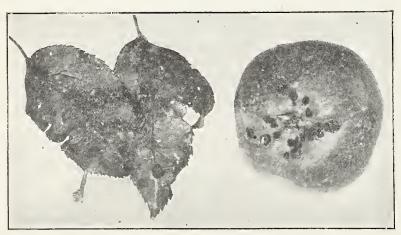
The small orchard on the diversified farm is in many respects a hopeful condition. Unfortunately the apple orchard in this section of the country has generally been regarded as a side issue and any revenue derived from it as clear profit. A five or ten-acre apple orchard, when regarded as a com-ponent part of the farm system and when properly cared for, is the ideal condition. There are many farms in New England with orchards of this size, or larger, that have proved unprofitable for the reason that they do not fit properly into the general farm system. The farmer must work out his own system, keeping in mind his peculiar conditions and adaptations. If he is an apple specialist he should aim to have a succession of varieties to lengthen out the season, and he should select such other interests as will most effectively fill in the gaps and avoid the familiar slack seasons. The crops he selects may not be so profitable as apples and may produce very little revenue directly, yet they make it possible to keep in readiness for the rush season a larger corps of workers, and to keep teams and tools in use with-

The management of an apple orchard may be likened to a chain, the weakest link of which is the measure of its strength. The following are some of the factors upon which successful orcharding depends: The choice of varieties, proper location, good drainage, sufficient plant food and moisture, good physical condition of the soil, proper pruning and thinning and the

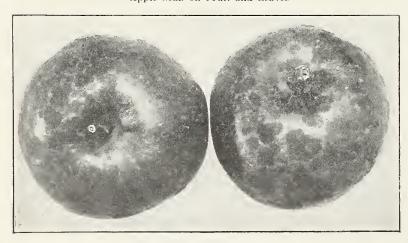
control of insects and diseases. Each of these factors, and probably many others, may be considered a link in the chain of operations concerning orchard management. The importance of any one of these factors depends upon its relation to others. For example, in an orchard that has been well cared for in every respect except spraying the important factor, or what may be called the limiting factor, is the control of insects and diseases. In other words, it is poor economy to spend much time and money on the care of an orchard and allow the apples to be eaten by worms or disfigured by disease. The important point about the whole matter, then, is in the determination of the limiting factor, and when this is found to bring it up to the level of the other factors. The expenditure of a few dollars on the limiting factor will usually produce better results than the expenditure of many times the amount on other factors. Some factors are beyond the control of man, and even of those under his control it is often difficult to discover the limiting For this reason every grower should be an experimenter. The differences of opinion among experts concerning orchard methods arise mainly from the varying conditions under which apples are grown. The methods that give best results with one grower may prove entirely unsuitable to other growers who are working under different conditions. It is the business, then, of every grower to determine the methods best adapted to his peculiar set of conditions. Before spending large sums on any one item he should determine by experiment whether it



Ideal Baldwin Apple Tree, That Has Been Trained Properly from the Beginning



Apple Seab on Fruit and Leaves



Sooty Blotch Disease on the Apple

will pay. The proposed treatment may be tried on a small part of the orehard and if it proves satisfactory may be extended throughout the whole orehard the following year. The result, however, of such an experiment may not always be conclusive, for the limiting factor in one section of the orehard may be very different from that in other sections. For example, one section of an orchard may be low and

wet, and in such a case nothing would

give as good results as under-draining; in fact the trees would not be likely to respond to any other kind of treatment. It is important, therefore, when conducting experiments of this kind to make sure that all the factors are the same throughout the orchard, except the factor under examination.

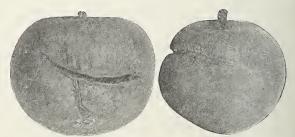
The various systems of orehard eulture that have been the subject of controversy for so many years may be classified as follows: 1, clean culture;



Open Center Habit of Growth, Making a Well Balanced Tice



A Tree That Has Been Pruned from Beneath Instead of from Above



Injurious Effects of Bordeaux Mixture on Apples

2, tillage with eover erops; 3, sod eulture. Clean eulture, as its name implies, eonsists in elean eulture throughout the growing season. Cultivation eommenees as soon as the soil may be worked in the spring and eontinues till about the middle of August. It is recommended especially for sections where the rainfall is light during the growing season. By maintaining a loose dust muleh on the surface the system is very effective in conserving

moisture. On the other hand, the continuous cultivation tends to deplete the supply of plant food and humus, or decaying vegetable matter. To maintain the fertility of the soil under this system requires liberal applications of stable manure or some substitute. This system, as practiced by some growers, is very similar to the next to be described—tillage with cover crops and gives fairly good results. These growers cease cultivating about the middle of July or the first of August and 'allow the weeds to grow up and cover the ground. The weeds here assume the function of a cover crop. The clean culture system, pure and simple, is not recommended for Connecticut.

Tillage with cover crops is the same as the one previously described, except that the last cultivation occurs about the middle of July or the first of August. With it some kind of a cover crop is sown, which as it develops takes up and holds the soluble plant food, forms a protective cover to the soil, and, when turned under the following spring, contributes to the supply of plant food and humus. This system is the one followed by the most successful apple growers in the best apple sections. For Connecticut, and probably New England as a whole, this system, with some modifications, will probably give best results.

Sod culture in its most ruinous form is the one commonly practiced in New England, and is largely responsible for the unproductive condition of the ordinary farmer's orchard. The apple specialists as a rule favor the tillage system, yet there are many commercial growers who hold to some form of sod culture. The special advantage of sod culture is the possibility of producing fruit of better color, but this is probably offset by the possibility of increasing the yield by means of tillage. It is remarkable that the fruit from sod orchards has carried off many of the premiums at recent fruit exhibitions in the East. This is especially true at fall fairs that are held too early for winter varieties grown under cultivation. The main purpose of growing apples, however, is not to win premiums, and the man who tills his orchard must get his reward in higher profits. The questions for the grower to settle are, which system is best suited to his conditions-his location, his soil, his markets and his other interests-and which will give him the best return for the capital invested.

There are probably many orchards in New England situated upon washy slopes where some form of sod culture is the only feasible method. It is probable also that many more of the rugged and washy hillsides will eventually be planted to apples. This need not concern us now, however, for there are thousands of acres of ideal orchard land available in every state of New England, and so long as this condition prevails it would seem advisable to select for orcharding land upon which the regular operations may be most conveniently and expeditiously performed. There is often more or less washing, however, on some of the gentle slopes, especially where the soil is of an impervious nature. Serious trouble from this cause usually may be prevented by cover cropping or by leaving strips of sod along or between the rows of trees and at right angles to the slope.

Since there are so many different forms of sod culture it seems advisable to discuss at this time some of the more common practices, such as the sod mulch, the plain or grass mulch, the pasture method and grass removal. The sod mulch method, as understood by the writer, consists in seeding the orchard down to grass and clover, in mowing the green herbage once or twice during the summer, and leaving it as a mulch under and around the trees. This is distinct from the plain mulch or grass mulch method, which depends upon foreign material to form the mulch. One of the most enthusiastic advocates of the sod mulch method and one who has been eminently successful is Mr. Grant Hitch-



A Fairly Common Form of Apple Tree The white lines indicate where the chief cuts should be made in pruning

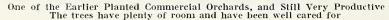


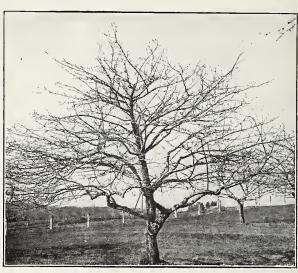
A Neglected Wound Decay starting at this point has extended far down the trunk



In heading back upright branches the cut should be made just beyond a branch extending outward







An Apple Tree in Which the Central Leader Has Been Allowed to Develop

ings of New York. Success with this method depends largely upon the amount of herbage produced with which to form a mulch when cut. To insure the required amount the occasional breaking up and reseeding of the ground is necessitated. It is not likely to succeed well with old orchards, especially those that are closely planted, for the reason that there will not be enough sunlight admitted to insure a good growth of herbage. The New York Agricultural Experiment Station is making a comprehensive study of this method as compared with the more orthodox practice of tilling and cover cropping. A preliminary report covering five years' observation on one orchard contains some very interesting statements, a brief summary of which may not be out of place here. The tilled plot averaged 36.3 barrels per acre more than the sod mulch plot. The apples on the tilled plot were not so highly colored, but were much larger, of better quality and kept better in ordinary storage. It took 434 apples grown on sod to fill a barrel, while only 309 from the tilled plot were needed. The trees on the tilled plot made a much larger growth than the trees in the sod area. The average cost per acre for the two methods of management, not including harvesting, was \$17.92 for the sod and \$24.47 for tillage, giving a difference of \$6.55 in favor of the sod. The average net income per acre for this sod plot was \$71.52, for the tilled plot \$110.43, a difference of \$38.91 in favor of tillage. It should be borne in mind that these statements are based on the behavior of one orchard only. Another orchard with a different set of conditions may behave very differently. It is a good indication, however, of what may be expected from such treatment of a Baldwin apple orchard located in Western New York and situated on a fertile Dunkirk loam soil with sandy sub-soil.

The plain mulch method is what is frequently called the mulch method, or the grass mulch method. As the pre-

viously described method is necessarily a grass mulch method it has seemed advisable to use the term plain mulch in speaking of this method. Much of the controversy in the agricultural press has arisen from the confusion of names regarding mulch methods. In contrast to the sod mulch, this method consists in covering the ground under and around the trees with some kind of coarse material that has not been grown in the orchard. Coarse stable manure, marsh hay, corn stalks or any kind of straw may be used for the purpose. The sytsem is especially adapted to grain growing sections, where straw is abundant. Success with this method



Using the "Loppers" in Cutting Back the Higher Branches

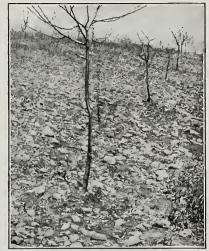
depends upon having such a thick mulch that no weeds or grass will grow in the orchard. The exponents of the system claim that the natural fertility of the soil may be maintained in this way, but it should be borne in mind that when we remove ten to fifteen barrels of fruit per tree we are going beyond natural conditions, and some additional plant food is likely to be required.

The pasture method is probably the most common method of orchard management in New England. It is the regular practice with the diversified farmer or the specialist in lines other than fruit growing. It is so common that it requires very little comment. Some growers take off a crop of hay and then pasture the orchard. The system depends upon the manure from the stock to keep up the fertility. Where large herds are kept and where supplementary food is supplied, together with good care in other respects, fairly satisfactory results may be expected. The common practice, however, is to turn in a few head of cattle and expect them to get a living from the orchard. Excellent results have been obtained in many cases where hogs have been allowed to run in the orchard. Hog pasturage is very similar to tillage, for the animals keep the soil well loosened up. Hogs in an orchard serve a useful purpose also in destroying many injurious insects that may be within the fallen fruit. The apple maggot is more easily kept under control in this way than by any other known method. Hogs often cause injury to the trees by rubbing off the bark, but this may be averted by feeding the animals some distance from the orchard, the rubbing usually being done just after feeding. Sheep are objectionable in an orchard, for they pasture the grass so closely and pack the ground so hard that the soil quickly dries out. Some growers have had good results from keeping poultry in the orchard, but where trees are located in crowded hen yards they are

likely to grow too rapidly and to produce very little fruit.

A large proportion of the "home orchards" are cared for after what may be called the grass removal or hay method. It is more disastrous to the trees than the pasture method, for the grass is removed and not even the droppings from the animals added. Trees handled in this way will soon show signs of neglect. The owners of such orchards usually regard the hay as the important crop, and any revenue from the apples is looked upon as clear gain. Many of these neglected orchards are still capable of being renovated.

It is a common notion that the sole purpose of cultivation is to kill weeds. In reality the killing of the weeds is looked upon by the best orchardists as an incidental function of cultivation. It improves the physical condition of the soil, releases plant food, conserves moisture, facilitates drainage and kills weeds. The method of preparing land for orcharding and the cultivation of young orchards has been discussed in a former paper and needs no further comment. As the trees approach the bearing age it is sometimes advisable to relax in our rigorous cultivation to start the trees into bearing. In our efforts to develop a large bearing structure it is possible that we are growing our trees too rapidly. A tree that has been allowed to make a normal growth is likely to come into bearing earlier and to develop into a stronger and more rigid structure than a tree that has been abnormally forced. Bearing trees also should be encouraged in making a uniform annual growth. With established orchards the orthodox treatment among the commercial fruit growers consists in plowing the ground in the spring and in keeping the soil well cultivated until mid-summer, when a cover crop is sown. As a rule the plowing is done as soon as the soil is dry enough to be worked. Fall plowing is practiced with good results in many sections of the country, cspecially in locations where the ground is generally covered with snow during winter. The chief advantage of the practice is that it gets the work out of the way of the spring rush and exposes the soil to the pulverizing action of the winter's freezing and thawing. For sections where the ground is bare of snow the greater part of the winter this practice is not recommended. The



Side-hill Orchard, Showing the Need of a Cover Crop



"Friend" Angle and Straight Nozzles

ordinary beam plow is better suited to the purpose than a sulky plow. Most orchard soils may be improved by sub-This operation is performed soiling. by following the ordinary plow with a sub-soil plow. Sub-soiling deepens the soil, giving the roots a larger feeding area. It is especially valuable in the younger orchards, but probably has very little effect upon old trees. Where the sub-soiler is not used the ordinary plow should be set to run as deeply as practicable. With a view of maintaining an even surface it is the custom to plow toward the trees one year and away from them the following year. It is also advisable occasionally to plow crosswise of the orchard.

The subsequent tillage is usually done with some kind of a cultivator. Probably the best tool to use for the first cultivation after plowing is a disk or cutaway harrow, although a springtooth harrow is well suited to the purpose. Some growers use a plow only once in three or four years and depend upon the cutaway harrow for the

breaking up of the soil in the spring as well as for subsequent tillage. The cutaway harrow is also used to advantage for breaking up the turf in orchards that have been in sod for so long that the roots are too near the surface for comfortable plowing. Some manufacturers are now making extension cutaway harrows that will project beneath low-headed trees. The later cultivations are intended particularly for the purpose of making a loose soil mulch that will prevent the evaporation of moisture from the soil, and for this purpose a lighter tool will do. Where the soil is in a good pliable condition a harrow of the Acme type, or even a spike-tooth harrow, may be most suitable. It is important to go over the ground with one of these tools soon after each rain, and thus save as much of the added rainfall as possible. In no case should a crust be allowed to form on the surface.

There is a common notion that trees should be cultivated close to their base. In order to facilitate cultivation near the trees some growers have been known to cut off some of the best limbs on the trees. A cleanly cultivated orchard is pleasing to the eye, and the keeping of weeds and grass away from the trunks is a protection from mice. But cultivation under the trees is of little importance so far as nutrititon is concerned, for the feeding roots are located beyond the spread of the trees. This, of course, does not apply to young trees, which should always be given clean cultivation. The best practice is to cultivate as near the trees as possible without scraping off bark or fruit. The few weeds that happen to develop in the shade of a modern low-headed apple tree arc not likely to seriously affect either the appearance of the orchard or the proper development of the trees. About July fifteenth cultivation should ccase to give the trees a chance to ripen up their wood. In very dry seasons it may be advisable to continue cultivation until about the first of August. With the last cultivation it is customary to sow clover, vetch, cowpeas, rye or some such crop, to be turned under the following spring.

A close examination of the orchard soils of New England reveals a marked deficiency in vegetable matter or humus. There is no more effective way of increasing the amount of humus



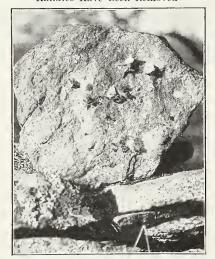
A Well-made Brush Harrow. A very satisfactory tool for covering the seed



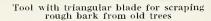
Hairy or Winter Vetch as an Orchard Cover Crop

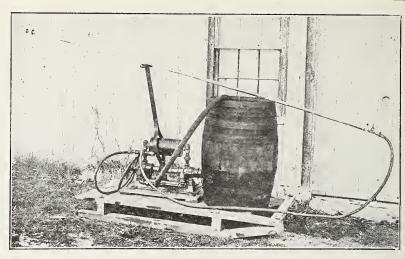


Four Types of "Loppers" from Which the Handles Have Been Removed



An upturned stone on wall surrounding an orchard, showing several hibernating codling moths





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and the ultimate fertility of the soil than by the judicious use of cover crops. Any crop that is sown in the orchard for the purpose of turning under in the spring is called a cover crop, and should not be confused with what is commonly called a "catch crop," which is grown to be harvested. Catch crops are commonly and profitably grown in young orchards before the trees require the whole area. A cover crop serves several useful purposes, of which the following are worthy of special attention: (1) The growing of a cover crop in an orchard tends to check the growth of the trees in late summer and induces early maturity of the wood. Trees that are allowed to make a late growth are likely to be injured by freezing during the winter. The checking of the growth is effected by the cover crop competing with the trees for moisture and plant food. The maturing of the fruit on heavily loaded trees usually affords check enough, especially in dry seasons, and for this reason it is sometimes advisable to delay or omit entirely the planting of a cover crop. (2) A cover crop, especially one that lives over winter, takes up much of the soluble plant food that is likely to leach away during the winter and early

spring. The loss of the plant food by leaching is considerable, especially on light porous soils. A cover crop collects this plant food and holds it until spring, when it is returned to the soil in the form of "green manure." (3) A cover crop also preserves fertility by preventing surface erosion. If land is allowed to remain bare over winter the spring rains and the rapid melting of the snow are likely to wash away much of the surface soil, carrying with it large quantities of plant food. (4) A cover crop acts as a blanket and holds the snow during the winter, preventing root injury. Alternate freezing and thawing seriously affects the roots of fruit trees and is best prevented by a good covering of snow. (5) A cover crop, when turned under, adds humus to the soil, improves its chemical condition and produces conditions more favorable for the development of certains useful micro-organisms. The moisture-holding capicity of a soil is dependent largely upon the amount of humus present. When a rigorous system of cultivation is the practice the supply of humus in the soil is likely soon to become exhausted, and the most satisfactory way of maintaining a supply is the growing and turning under of cover crops. (6) Cover crops of the leguminous or nitrogen-gathering type contribute to the supply of nitrogen in the soil. Nitrogen is the most expensive kind of fertilizer that the apple grower uses, and by growing in the orchard such cover crops as clover, vetch and cowpeas the expense bill for this chemical may be largedy reduced, if not entirely eliminated. Again, certain cover crops like turnips and rape have the ability to assimilate plant food, which is in such form that other plants cannot make use of it. When these crops are turned under and become decayed they supply this plant food in a more available form.

There are two distinct classes of cover crops. There are those that live over winter and commence growing in early spring, like the clovers, vetches and rye, and those that die down in the fall, like cowpeas, soy beans, turnips, rape and buckwheat. Many of those of the latter class make a very large growth and in many respects are superior to those of the former class. The winter cover crops, however, furnish better protection to the soil and roots during cold weather, and on the whole are better suited to New England conditions. Cover crops may also be classified according to their ability to contribute to the supply of plant

food in the soil. Plants belonging to the legume family, such as clover, alfalfa, vetch, peas and beans, have the power of assimilating nitrogen from the air, and when turned under contribute to the supply of this valuable form of plant food. It will be observed that some of these nitrogen-gathering crops belong to the winter group and some to the fall group. Under certain conditions a non-leguminous crop may be more serviceable than a nitrogengathering one, and in like manner a fall cover crop may often be just as useful as a winter one. If the trees were not making sufficient growth a leguminous crop would probably be desirable, while if the trees were making sufficient growth and there appeared to be a lack of vegetable matter in the soil a rapid growing non-leguminous crop, such as winter rye, would be more suitable. In locations where a good covering of snow may be depended upon, and on soils that are not likely to wash, a fall cover crop, such as turnips, rape, buckwheat, cowpeas, soy beans or horse beans, would be very suitable. The three last named crops are nitrogen-gatherers, and would be more suitable than the former three if the trees were not making satisfactory growth. The clovers make good cover crops, and in this section of the country are more generally used than anything else. Some prefer the mammoth clover

on account of its making a larger growth. Others prefer the common red clover, while still others pin their faith in alsike. Crimson clover is largely used, and in sections where it may be depended upon to stand the winter is undoubtedly the best of its class. It is a very rapid grower, but in most sections of New England it is likely to winter-kill, and for this reason is not generally recommended. The safest plan probably is to mix together two or more kinds, always including a little crimson. Some growers prefer to mix in a little turnip seed. The turnips grow rapidly and protect the young clover plants from the hot sun. A suitable mixture may be made up of mammoth and crimson clover six pounds each, alsike three pounds and cowhorn turnips three ounces. Alfalfa is so exacting in its requirements and so slow in starting its growth that it is seldom used for cover crop purposes except in combinations. Hairy or winter vetch, in many sections, is becoming a popular cover crop for orchard purposes. It is an annual and thrives well at low temperatures. It belongs to the nitrogen-gathering group, and owing to its prostrate habit of growth and its habit of growing in late fall and early spring is well suited to cover crop purposes. It is better adapted to heavy soil, but when sufficient attention is given to the preparation of the

ground will thrive remarkably well on the lighter soils. The harvesting of the seed is a difficult operation, especially in New England, and for this reason the seed is usually very high in price. Some orchardists have been able to grow their own seed by sowing rye and vetch together. The rye supports the vetch, facilitating the work of harvesting.

By many orchardists the cowpea is regarded as one of the best plants for cover crop purposes. Of the autumn group it is undoubtedly the most satisfactory. It is a hot weather plant and thrives remarkably well on light soils and in dry seasons. This is an important point in its favor, for it is a common occurrence to have very dry weather about the time the cover crop is expected to make its growth. The seed may be sown broadcast or it may be drilled in. The "Whippoorwill" variety is probably the best for cover crop purposes. A combination of cow peas and clover makes an ideal cover crop. The former should be sown in drills about two feet apart and not later than the middle of July. About the first of August the clover should be sown broadcast between the rows and harrowed in. This harrowing will be of great benefit to the cowpeas, giving them a good start. In very dry seasons the sowing of the clover may be deferred and cultivation may be



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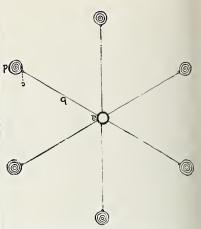
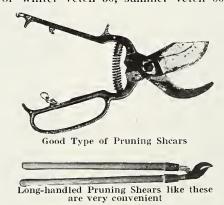


Diagram showing method of bracing trees that have assumed the open center habit of growth. a, Half-inch harness ring; b, No. 12 galvanized wire; c. Eyelet screw; d, One of the main branches

continued between the rows. If it is deferred too long the clover is not likely to become well established before winter sets in and is likely to be killed before spring. Under such conditions rye would probably give best results. About one bushel of cowpeas and twelve to fifteen pounds of clover seed will probably be about the right quantity per acre. When frost comes the cowpeas will be killed, leaving the clover in possession of the ground. Canada peas, soy beans and horse beans are sometimes grown as cover crops. They are nitrogengatherers and belong to the fall group. For Connecticut conditions none of them are so well adapted as the cowpea. Rye is probably the most reliable of all cover crops, and among those of the non-leguminous class it is the most satisfactory. The most important requirement of a cover crop is that it makes a cover, and where other crops fail rye may usually be depended upon. The greatest objection to this crop is that it sometimes makes such a large growth in the spring that it is difficult to turn it under. This seldom happens except with the farmer who is habitually behind with his work. Buckwheat, like rye, is a dependable crop, and is largely used by the apple growers of Western New York. It has a puverizing influence upon the soil and is useful in "smothering" weeds. It does well on almost any kind of soil, and on account of its ability to grow on very poor soils is often called the "poor man's crop." The "poor farmer's crop" would seem to be a more suitable appellation. It is not advisable to sow buckwheat in an orchard until August first or later. If sown earlier it may mature its seed before frost comes, and such seed will cause trouble in the spring. Buckwheat contributes to the soil very little vegetable matter, for after the first frost it is difficult to find the remains of the crop. Turnips and rape are very similar, and are sometimes used for cover crops. They are more useful when sown in combination with clover than when grown by themselves. They continue growing late in the fall and furnish good protection to the clover plants. Their chief value lies in their ability to attack and

break up insoluble compounds that other plants cannot use. Whether grown alone or in combination the greatest care should be exercised in using just the right quantity of seed. Those who have not had experience in sowing turnips and rape are almost sure to use too much seed. Not more than one pound of turnip seed should be used to the acre, except with the cowhorn type. Six pounds of rape seed to the acre is sufficient. Oats, barley and corn are occasionally used as cover crops, but have very little to commend them. They draw heavily upon the moisture of the soil when the fruit is maturing and are likely to affect the yield seriously. The quantity of these different seeds in pounds to the acre is as follows: Mammoth clover 12, common red clover 12, alsike clover 12, crimson clover 15, alfalfa 20, cowpeas 90, soy beans 90, horse beans 90, hairy or winter vetch 50, summer vetch 60,



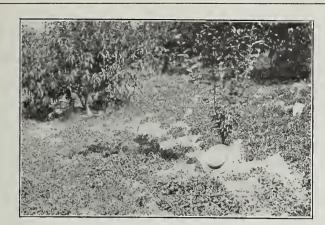


An Apple Tree That Has Been Killed by Hogs Rubbing Off the Bark

Canada peas 90, rye 90, buckwheat 60,

rape 6, turnips 1. Many growers have become discouraged after one attempt at growing a cover crop. In many cases the soil is so lacking in vegetable matter, and consequently dries out so thoroughly in the summer that it is difficult to get a "catch." Under such conditions it would probably be safer to use rye or buckwheat. The amount of vegetable matter added by the turning under of either of these crops will improve the soil to such an extent that clover or vetch may be expected to thrive well the following year. It is remarkable that the second attempt at growing clover is usually more successful than the first. When the soil has been properly handled during the early part of the season there is not likely to be any trouble in getting a catch. An ordinary smoothing harrow is probably the best tool with which to cover the seed of most cover crops. Many growers have had excellent results from using the brush harrow, especially with the smaller seeded crops, such as clover, turnips and rape. A well made brush harrow is recommended whenever it may be depended upon to cover the seed deeply enough, for with its use there is less likelihood of "barking" the trees. In dry seasons it is sometimes necessary to roll the ground after seeding. When the trees are bearing a good crop of fruit this would be an unwise procedure, for the soil moisture would be brought to the surface and lost by evaporation. If it should seem necessary to roll the ground after seeding it would be well to follow with a weeder or some similar tool soon after the seed has germinated.

Of all the intricate problems relating to orchard management that of feeding the apple tree is probably the most perplexing. To a large proportion of the New England farmers this problem has never presented itself, for they have assumed that the orchard did not require fertilization. The specialized apple growers are just coming to realize the peculiar fertilizer requirements of the apple and the importance of ascertaining the fertilizer requirements of their various orchard lands. It is not the purpose of this article to



Crimson Clover as an Orehard Cover Crop The bare patches show where the plants have been killed out during the winter



The Cowpea as an Orehard Cover Crop

discuss the principles of feeding plants. It is enough to say that in general plants require three elements of plant food, and the apple tree is no exception. These elements are nitrogen, potash and phosphoric acid. While not usually considered a necessary element of plant food, which must be supplied, lime is of much benefit to most crops, and its value should be considered when buying fertilizers. If these ele-ments are not in the soil in available form they must be applied. It is not only necessary that they be present in the soil, but they must be in a soluble form, for in such form only can plants make use of them. Some kinds of fertilizers dissolve readily when applied to the soil. There are other kinds that become available gradually and some others that are so nearly insoluble that most plants cannot make use of them. The apple, being a long lived crop, can make use of the slow working fertilizers, but the tendency among careful apple growers is to use soluble fertilizers and apply them just when needed. The experienced apple grower who keeps a close watch of his trees will probably get best results from soluble fertilizers, but the average farmer will do well to adhere to the use of fertilizers that become available gradually. The various kinds of commercial fertilizers contain one or more elements of plant food in varying proportion. With our present system of fertilizer inspection the percentage composition as given by the dealer may be depended upon. In figuring the relative value of different kinds or brands of fertilizers it is always necessary to know the percentage of plant food that the sample in question contains. Farmers are inclined to buy low priced fertilizers, while in many cases, especially when they are to be shipped long distances, the higher priced brands would be much cheaper. The fertilizer dealers frequently advertise ready mixed fertilizers for various crops, and for the average farmer these may be most suitable. This is oftentimes an extravagant method, however, for seldom will we find two orchards requiring the same treatment. The growers who are prepared to study the

fertilizer requirements of their various fields and crops will do well to mix their own fertilizers.

While most of the orchard lands of New England are likely to be in need of all three elements of plant food there may be a few, especially those on the lower levels, where the soil is usually deeper, that are still well supplied with potash and phosphoric acid. The number of such orchards are so few that it would hardly seem advisable to take them into consideration. There are, however, many soils that are especially rich in some one form of plant food, and for this reason the fruit grower should try the effect of certain fertilizers on his particular soil. If a crop fails to respond to a particular kind of fertilizer the indication is that there is sufficient plant food of that character in the soil. Many soils are sadly deficient in nitrogen and vegetable matter, and respond promptly to the turning under of a crop of clover, even without the application of other



Wash-out in a Side-hill Orehard A good eover erop will prevent such trouble

forms of fertilizer. Soils that do not respond to such treatment are probably deficient in potash, phosphoric acid or lime. The deficient element or elements may be ascertained by the use of test plots. The important point in this regard is that it is a wasteful practice to apply a complete fertilizer when there is a good supply of one or more elements already in the soil. It should also be remembered that the application of one or more forms of plant food, although deficient in the soil, will produce little or no effect unless all the necessary elements are present. In like manner, the application of all necessary elements of plant food will produce little or no response if there is any serious deficiency in the general management of the soil. In other words, the best results are obtained only when good treatment is given all along the line. Stable manure is the standard fertilizer of the diversified farmer and the stock raiser. The commercial fruit growers, however, rarely use this form of fertilizer in their orchards. The chief objection to its use is that it is relatively rich in nitrogen, which becomes available late in the season. The liberation of nitrogen late in the season is likely to keep up growth so late that the trees will not ripen their wood properly before the arrival of cold weather. Stable manure is a complete fertilizer, and when applied to the soil supplies, in addition to the three elements of plant food, a large amount of vegetable matter. For this reason it is well suited to the enriching of vegetable gardens and cornfields.

To be continued in next edition.

Editor Better Fruit:

The July number of "Better Fruit" eame to hand during my absence, and I have just seen a copy. The edition is worthy of special notice, and you are deserving of a great deal of credit. Yours very truly, G. R. Merritt, general agent of Refrigerator Service Northern Pacific.

Editor Better Fruit:

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Please continue my subscription to "Better Fruit." I have enjoyed your paper very much during the last year, and have gotten much valuable information from it, especially on the subject of spraying. Your publication may be called "Better Fruit" magazine, but it is really "BEST fruit magazine." Respectfully, Lewis J. Pieree.

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The editor of "Better Fruit" has for years given the satistics in the actual number of carloads shipped from the Northwest, and it affords us pleasure to say that these reports have been found reliable and valuable to everybody connected with the apple indus-However, "Better Fruit." like everybody else, was fooled on the estimate last year. Men who had lived in their orchards for fifteen or twenty years estimated their crops as high as fifty per cent less than the actual yield. From our experience it seems that large crops are apt to be underestimated and light crops overestimated. The percentage estimate of crops in the state actually means nothing to anybody unless the individual knows two things—what the quantity was last year and whether the percentage is based on last year's crop or on a normal crop. It is a great source of satisfaction to learn that the East will endeavor to make up reports to show the actual number of barrels estimated for each state in future years instead of giving the percentage figures, but until it is done the whole business of estimates is simply a great big guess, and consequently buying and selling more a matter of luck, than of good judgment founded on reliable information. However, it must be admitted that such a task in the East is a large one owing to peculiar conditions. The apple producing sections are scattered all over the East and apple growing is generally connected with general farming, and nearly every farmer has all the way from a few trees for family use up to a very large orchard. A great many small orchards together produce quite a large quantity. Now, to obtain statistics, for instance, from the New England orchards would be very difficult because these orchards are scattered all over the whole of New England, along stone walls, fence rows, in out of the way corners and pockets of hills, and the crop moved by every kind of conveyance to the different markets, but it is to be hoped that a method of planting will be evolved that will solve the problem and ascertain the actual number of barrels produced in each state every year. When one year's production is recorded, and this quantity is a fixed basis, percentage estimates will assist those connected with the fruit industry in estimating the crop of the current year.

The Value of Statistics.—The editor of "Better Fruit" has many times dwelt on this subject and again calls the attention of the fruit growers and fruit dealers to the present method in vogue of giving statistics. In fact this method is used by nearly all publications with the execption of "Better Fruit." It is the method of percentage, which practically means nothing to anybody unless he knows the actual crop produced in barrels, bushels or boxes in each one of the different states. "Better Fruit" has been using its influence in every way possible to bring about a change in giving out statistical matter. What we need, and what the fruit growers and dealers should demand, is statistics from every state showing the number of bushels, barrels or boxes produced in that state, and estimates should be made along this line. The percentage plan is misleading unless you absolutely know the quantity of apples grown in each state, and whether the percentage is a percentage of last year's crop or a percentage of what is considered a normal crop. For instance, if one state produced 100,000 barrels and was put down as 200 per cent, and another state produced 1,000,000 barrels and was put down as 50 per cent what would the reader know if he was simply given a percentage of crops of the apples in each of the two states. Where simply percentages are given without this information the reader can but guess at the final result. We hope, and believe, the authorities will realize the importance of giving figures showing the actual production each year at the end of the season, and make their estimates for the coming year in the same way.

Elsewhere in this edition will be found a photograph of Mr. J. C. Skinner, who for two years has been secretary of the Hood River Commercial Club. His work in this capacity has been highly appreciated by the community. Much of his work and many of his ideas were along original lines, and while he had charge of the pub-

licity department it seems hardly appropriate to call Mr. Skinner a booster. He has been a close student of the apple industry not only in the Northwestern sections but throughout the East as well. His work has been done along conservative lines, and he has used his best efforts to assist in the development of the orchard industry and has given special attention to distribution. In every way he has worked to assist in securing a good price for Hood River Valley fruit. His belief has been that more effective work could be done along the line of thorough distribution than by boosting. In fact his idea along this line may be best illustrated by using an expression which he frequently used, "By distributing the crop wisely, selling it intelligently and getting good prices you are creating a demand for the fruit, and if all this is done successfully in any district land selling will take care of itself where there is land to sell."

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The October edition of "Better Fruit" is a Special Statistical Edition, containing more information about the number of trees planted in each state and the size of crops grown than has ever appeared in any other publication so far as we know. These statistics were secured from reliable sources, due credit being given, and most of them are taken from government censuses. Object lessons can be drawn from each table published in this issue. We have made a short note at the bottom of the different tables to indicate a few of the conclusions that can be drawn. These are mere suggestions as to what the reader may do in order to arrive at proper conclusions in reference to the apple business.

The Statistical Bureau for the Northwest.—The editor of "Better Fruit" has for several years spent a great deal of time in writing reliable people and authorities, and visiting different districts, to ascertain what would be a conservative estimate of the apple crop in the Northwestern States, and the estimates of "Better Fruit" have been as nearly correct as is possible to give with the exception of 1910, when everybody in the Northwest underestimated. All of this takes time and money. The Northwestern people should be posted and know what the estimate is each year by the first of August. Some time ago our attention

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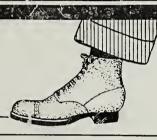
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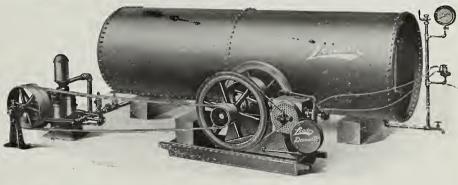








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Hood River Commercial Club

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was called to this matter by Mr. H. S. Stechan, and we published a letter from him in "Better Fruit." We believe this matter should be given immediate attention. The growers should get busy and begin to discuss it before the different state horticultural meetings, and be able to form some plan for carrying on this work. If there is no other way to raise necessary funds it might be done by having each state horticultural society appoint one member of a committee to get together and devise ways and means of putting the idea into execution and finance the immediate necessary expense. It is our belief that every association in the Northwest would be willing to pay a sufficient sum pro rata, according to the amount of fruit handled or the acreage, that would be sufficient to maintain a man and such other expense as might be necessary to do the work.

The fiftieth anniversary of the Oregon State Fair was celebrated this year at Salem, September 11 to 16. The management is to be congratulated on the fine appearance of the grounds, the fair and undiscriminating treatment of all the exhibitors, and the elean and attractive entertainment provided. It is to be regretted that it rained or was cloudy nearly every day of the entire week, and taking this fact into consideration the attendance was very good. Although too early for the best in the line of a fruit display, the early varieties were well represented. The agricultural exhibits this year were more elaborate than ever and provided a striking demonstration of the fact that every section of our state, although widely differing in soil, topography and climate, with intelligent and up-to-date methods, is eapable of enormous yields and good profits. Several eounties had spent considerable time and effort in decorating with grains, grasses, etc., and the effects were pleasing. counties had large exhibits of canned fruits and fruits and vegetables. The camping feature of the Oregon State Fair is a distinctive one. All state fairs have a few campers, people who are either exhibitors or have concessions, but over 1,200 people eamped in "Tent City" this year, and are already looking forward with pleasure to their week of camp life at the Oregon State Fair next year. "Better Fruit" received gratifying words of appreciation for the work it is doing both from subscribers and advertisers.

The new Harney Branch Experiment Station is to be superintended by M. Leroy Breightaup, who is a graduate of the Oregon Agricultural College.

Mr. David Browne of Spokane says we need more farmers on our land. They are absolutely necessary for continued good of our states. The cities can take care of themselves. Farming has been, is now and will be the backbone of the Northwest, and we want to do everything possible to promote the industry.

Seeing America First.—This feeling has been growing, and Baltimore proposes in the near future to hold a convention to promote a plan that will be effective in persuading Americans to see their own country, where the scenery is grander than any in Europe. There is not a single spot in Europe that will compare with the wonderful scenery in America. Europe has nothing like the Grand Canyon, the Yellowstone National Park, the snowcapped mauntains of the Northwest, Niagara Falls, the immensity of the Columbia River or the wonderful Mississippi. In no way does the scenery of Europe begin to compare with the scenery of America. The greatest attraction of European scenery is its historical interest. There is a vast amount of wealth spent by Americans in Eruope that ought to be spent in America to see their own country first. The vast sum spent by rich and wellto-do people in Paris, Switzerland and Italy is beyond our comprehension. We are glad to see this movement ereated, and it is our sincere hope that it will bring results and that Amerieans will spend money at home in future to help upbuild their own eountry instead of spending it in foreign countries and cities which could hardly survive without the immense revenue from American tourists.

The American Apple Exposition will be held in Denver, November 12-18 of this year, in the Auditorium Building. Bulletins are now out and ready for distribution, and can be obtained by writing the secretary, C. L. Oliver, 210 Chamber of Commerce, Denver, Colorado. Important departments of this exposition will be commercial packs, district displays, improved packages, photographie displays, home-made by-products, kitchen and factory-made apple by-products and evaporated fruit. Liberal prizes will be given and there is every reason to assume that this will be a big show with a very large attendance.

We are advised that President Taft appointed Thomas W. Wilby, a prominent automobilist and a member of the Touring Club of America, as good roads commissioner, whose duty will be to pick out and accurately locate a route from New York to San Francisco and return, which will not only include seeing all the best of the wonder spots of our grand country, but shall be safe and possible of travel without hardship at practically all times of the year.

Demonstration Trains are proving wonderful factors in the development of the Northwest. Usually they are conducted under the auspices of an experiment station. The Northern Pacifie, Great Northern and the Harriman system are all doing splendid work. Seventy-four thousand farmers and professors attended the lectures at the University of California given under the auspices of the Southern Pacific.

The Harriman Lines will occupy the same amount of space at the Chicago Land Show in 1911 as in 1910. In this space will be conducted a series of lectures. Seventy-seven thousand people attended these lectures last year. After the land show last year the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific carried fifty-five thousand colonists into territory along their lines.

The total disbursements from the pension bureau of the Southern Pacific Railroad for the fiscal year ending July, 1911, was \$168,000. This sum goes to ex-employes of the railroad who have met with mishap or retired, or to those dependent upon them in case of death. This is certainly a good example to be followed by other large institutions.

Professor H. E. Van Deman, well known as one of the greatest horticulturists in America (and, by the way, "Better Fruit" has the honor of having Professor Van Deman as one of its eontributing editors), will be judge at the Indianapolis Apple Show. The professor is one of the fairest, squarest and best posted judges in America.

The movement for better sanitary conditions and wholesome foods is increasing in volume and spreading rapidly. Pure foods are now being demanded, and our attention has been ealled to the fact that the Southern Pacific Railroad serves certified milk, guaranteed in richness and purity, and they say the baby ean now travel in safety and be sure of getting pure food.

What the Panama canal means to the future of the Northwest and the Paeific Coast in general is already indicated in many ways. One of the latest announcements is that a company with a capital of \$15,000,000 is being formed in Baltimore to put on a line of steamers from the Atlantic to Pacific Coast points.

There seems to be a big demand throughout the Northwest for men who have taken a horticultural course in some agricultural college of the Northwest. The Northwestern states all have splendid agricultural colleges with the very best of horticultural departments.

List of agents for the Palmcr Bucket Company of Hood River, Oregon (see advertisement on page 64). Ask any of the following dealers for a practical demonstration. They will show you how you can save the bruises: S. E. Forstrom, Joseph, Oregon; C. O. Ramsey, La Grande; Lane & Sexton, The Dalles; Grants Pass Hardware Company, Grants Pass; Churchill Hardware Company, Roscburg; Mcdford Hardware Company, Weldford; Wallowa Mercantile Company, Wallowa; H. G. Masterson, Elgin; Wright Hardware Company, Union; R. H. Huston, Corvallis; Hulbert-Ohling Hardware and Implement Company, Dallas; Wade, Pearce & Co., Salem; Chambers Hardware Company, Eugene; R. M. Wade & Co., McMinnville; Wenatehee Hardware Company, Wenatchee; Yakima Hardware Company, Walla Walla; Darbey & Mourey, Pomeroy, Washington; J. W. Stevens Hardware Company, Dayton, Washington; A. de Regt, Kennewick; Palmquist Bros., Prosser; Evans Mercantile Company, Clarkston, Washington; Valley Mercantile Company, San Francisco, sales agents South Pacific states.

Citrus Protective League of the State of California

By G. Harold Powell, Secretary and Manager

AS the season for the shipment of navel oranges from California is approaching it is well that the attention of growers and shippers should be called to Food Inspection Decision No. 133, issued by the United States Department of Agriculture. The decision refers to "The Coloring of Green Citrus Fruits," and reads as follows: "The attention of the Board of Food and Drug Inspection has been directed to the shipment in interstate commerce of green, immature citrus fruits, particularly oranges, which have been artificially colored by holding in a warm, moist atmosphere for a short period of time after removal from the Evidence is adduced showing that such oranges do not change in sugar or acid content after removal from the tree. Evidence further shows that the same oranges remaining on the tree increase markedly in sugar content and decrease in acid content. Further, there is evidence to show that the consumption of such immature oranges, especially by children, is apt to be attended by serious disturbances of the digestive system. Under the Food and Drug Act of June 30, 1906, an article of food is adulterated 'if it be mixed, colored, powdered, coated or stained in a manner whereby damage or inferiority is concealed.' It is the opinion of the board that oranges treated as mentioned above are colored in a manner whereby inferiority is concealed, and are, therefore, adulterated. The board recognizes the fact that certain varieties of oranges attain maturity as to size, sweetness and acidity before the color changes from green to yellow, and this decision is not intended to interfere with the marketing of sucn oranges."

It is the evident intention of the government to make it unlawful to ship into interstate commerce green oranges that are unfit to eat, but which are colored by sweating to give them an appearance of ripeness. In this connection the attention of our grewers and shippers is called to the first section of the "Green Fruit Las," which recently became effective in the State of Florida. It reads as follows: "Section 1. That it shall be unlawful for anyone to sell, offer for sale, ship or deliver for shipment any citrus fruits which are immature or otherwise unfit for consumption, and for anyone to receive any such fruits under a contract of sale, or for the purpose of sale, or of offering for sale, or for shipment or delivery for shipment. This section shall not apply to sales or contracts for sales of citrus fruits on the trees under this section; nor shall it apply to common carriers or their agents who are not interested in such fruits, and who are merely receiving the same for transportation." From this section of the Florida law and the agitation that now prevails in that state, it is apparent that Florida is pre-

paring to take an active hand during the present season in the endeavor to prevent the shipment of immature fruit from the state. The State of Florida has also made it unlawful to place upon any citrus package or fruit wrapper any statement which contains false or misleading information regarding the name, size, quality, brand or locality in which the fruit is grown. In the case of a shipment or oranges labeled, "Pineapple Oranges," from Florida into Louisiana, the United States Department of Agriculture has recently decided that the shipment was mislabeled and, therefore, in violation of the national food and drugs act, because the oranges "were not of that grade commercially known as 'pineapple oranges,' but consisted of other and inferior grades."

A citrus fruit grower from the Transvaal has recently been in California studying the methods of handling the California citrus fruit crop, and to secure appliances to be used in the handling of the crop in the Transvaal. They are beginning to ship oranges from the Transvaal to the United Kingdom in considerable quantities during the summer months, the season when the fruit ripens in that country. The haul by rail to the South African coast, usually to Capetown, may reach a distance of one thousand miles. According to data furnished by the grower mentioned the fruit is being carried by the railroads during the present season to the point of export at the rate of 15 shillings per ton (13.1 cents per box of California size); it costs 5 shillings per ton (4.4 cents per box) for dock dues and loading charges, and 25 shillings per ton (22 cents per box) to Southampton, a distance of six thousand miles, making a total cost of transportation of 39.5 cents per box of California size for a distance that may equal seven thousand miles. The fruit is carried the entire distance without

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refrigeration. With a rate of 25 to 30 cents a box from Southampton to New York, which is the usual rate on foreign citrus fruits, the South African grower, ten thousand miles distant, can land oranges in the eastern United States at a lower cost of transportation that the grower in California.

There is considerable activity in citrus fruit planting in Mexico. According to the "Daily Trade and Consular Reports," September 7, 1911, "The shipment of oranges from San Luis Potosi, Mexico, to Chicago will commence about September 20, 1911, and it is now estimated that a total of about fiftyfive cars will cover the season's exports, as compared with thirty-four cars last year. These oranges all come from the Rio Verde Valley, in the south-central part of the state. The freight from Rio Verde to Chicago is \$1.25 gold per 100 pounds, and customs duty \$1 gold per 100 pounds (which totals \$1.91 per 85-pound box), but they reach the American markets so early in the season that good prices are obtained."

The exports of oranges from Spain 1910 amounted to 1,051,764,067 pounds; from Italy, 265,498,258 pounds, an equivalent from both countries of more than 55,000 carloads of California oranges. More than 50 per cent of the Spanish oranges are shipped to the United Kingdom, and from 15 to 20 per cent go both to France and to Germany. The exports of oranges from Spain have increased 67.2 per cent in the last ten years. The freight rate on Spanish oranges to the United States is about 30 cents per box. It may be as low as one shilling (24 cents) per case, equal to two and a half California boxes, to the United Kingdom. The oranges from Italy are exported principally to Austria-Hungary, Germany, Russia and the United Kingdom in order of importance. The exports of oranges from Italy have increased 59.4 per cent in the last ten years. Exports of oranges from Jaffa in 1910 amounted to 900,000 cases, valued at \$1,136,794. Most of these oranges are shipped to the United Kingdom, with smaller quantities to Russia and Egypt. The exports from Jaffa have increased 149 per cent in the last ten years. The exports of mandarin oranges from Japan in 1909 amounted to 22,245,897 pounds. The oranges from Japan are shipped principally to Asiatic Russia, Corea, Kwantung province and British America, in order of importance. More than half a million pounds were shipped from Japan to the United States in 1909. Exports of mandarin oranges from Japan have increased 605 per cent in the last ten years.

Every orange producing country in the world is interested in the effort of importers of lemons in New York and the exporters in Sicily to have the duty removed from citrus fruits. We may expect that each of these countries, which pays a low wage to labor and a low rate of transportation will prepare to ship its citrus fruits to the United States if a low rate of duty should be established. There has been an unusual demand for lemons in

Europe during 1911. This demand has been increasing steadily for ten years, and in 1911 it has had a marked effect on the international shipment of lemons. The California crop in 1910-11 is the largest in the history of the state. Nearly twice as much fruit has been shipped into Eastern markets as in 1909-10, and the large increase over the crop of the preceding year has reduced the price of lemons to an unusually low level. Heretofore the Eastern markets have been controlled by the importers of Italian lemons, and each year since 1885 the wholesale price has been forced at some period during the summer months to \$6 to \$12.50 per box. On account of the increase in the California crop in 1911 and the freer shipment of the fruit to Eastern markets the wholcsale price of 132,738 boxes of Italian lemons in New York in August, 1911, averaged about \$2.60 per box, an average of less than ten cents per dozen. The average wholesale price of 143,986 boxes of Italian lemons in New York in August in 1910, when the California crop was much lighter, was \$3.67 per box. In an effort to hold the prices high the importers have endeavored to create a scarcity in the Eastern supply of lemons. They have been reshipping lemons to Europe since the first of August, and have withdrawn the fruit from the auction sales in New York whenever the price has been unusually low. Mr. Sciortino, a prominent New York lemon importer, is quoted as saying that some of the exporters in Sicily would probably not permit the sale of lemons in New York at a price below s4 a box wholesale, on account of the higher prices in Germany and England, where, in referring to Germany, Mr. Sciortino states "that buyers there are willing to pay relatively higher prices than can be obtained in the American markets.'

There is a duty equivalent to one cent per pound on citrus fruits in Australia; 1.84 cents maximum and a free conventional duty on lemons, and 2.2 cents on oranges in Austria-Hungary; 79-100 of a cent on oranges and lemons in Belgium; 79-100 of a cent in Denmark; 1% cents in Finland; 1.3 cents maximum and 44-100 of a cent minimum in France; 1.3 cents maximum on oranges and lemons, 35-100 of a cent minimum on oranges and a free conventional duty on lemons in Germany; 2.43 cents maximum and 24-100 of a cent minimum in Norway; 44-100 of a cent maximum and 44-1000 minimum in Roumania; 2.25 cents maximuni and 1.42 minimum in Russia, and 1.21 cents in Sweden. There is no duty on citrus fruits in Argentine, Canada, England or Switzerland. With the exception of Australia, which produces citrus fruits, these duties are levied for revenue only. Mexico formerly granted a bounty of 85 cents per 1,000 lemons and \$1 per 1,000 on oranges exported to encourage the planting of these fruits; and Italy fixes a minimum price to be paid the producer for citrate of lemon, into which 40 per cent of the Italian lemon crop is converted, and fixes a minimum selling price as well.

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American Land and Irrigation Exposition, November 3-12, Madison Square Garden, New York.

York.
Indiana Apple Show, Indianapolis, Indiana,
November 6-11.
American Apple Exposition, Denver, Colorado, November 12-18, Auditorium Building.
Oregon Apple Show, Portland, Oregon,
November 15-17.
United States Land and Irrigation Exposition, Coliseum, Chicago, Illinois, November 18
to December 9.
National Apple Show, Spokane, Washington,
November 23-30.
Nineteenth National Irrigation Congress,
Chicago, December 5-9.
Northwest Land Products Show, St. Paul
Auditorium, St. Paul, Minnesota, December 12-23.



Rogue River Valley Exhibit Made by Medford, Oregon, at the National Apple Show at Spokane in 1910, showing the beauty of district exhibits, of which there probably will be thirty or forty this year at the Fourth National Apple Show, Spokane, Washington, November 23 to 30

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An Interesting Newsy Letter From New Mexico

By Alex. McPherson, Horticulturist, Roswell, New Mexico

AS years go by the demand for better fruit heeomes more insistent than ever before. The statisties show that the production of marketable apples has deereased two-thirds in the last fifteen years. Instead of the supply from the United States and Canada being 65,000,000 or 75,000,000 barrels it has decreased to between 30,000,000 and 40,000,000 barrels in 1909-1910. These figures are indicative, first, that the people are demanding better fruit, and, seeond, that the area in which such fruit as the public palate demands is limited. In looking over the various apple sections of the West we find such places as Hood River, Medford, Wenatehee, Yakima; Boise, Payette and Weiser in Idaho, some small places in Utah and a few more in Colorado. Totaling all of these places their aereage would perhaps not execed 300,000 acres of good apple lands. The southwestern portion of the United States has as yet not entered the apple industry to any great extent. In the last forty years or more orehards have been planted over a large area of New Mexico, Arizona and Texas, and in very many of these cases the quality of the products grown was not up to standard, nor did the trees show good health and satisfactory growth. But in some portion of the Pecos Valley, in Southeast New Mexico, notably Roswell, the apple industry has been amply demonstrated, so that we know we have an area that will produce apples equal to the best apple growing sections of America.

The writer has examined the majority of the apple growing sections in the West and finds that the Pecos Valley, in the vicinity of Roswell, has all of the natural eonditions to warrant extensive planting of the king of all fruits—the apple. In faet orehards here have produced phenomenal crops, and the trees are healthy and vigorous. Many of the varieties that are grown here are equal, if not superior, in quality to the same varieties grown in the Northwestern states. Perhaps at the present time this particular section of New Mexico has greater possibilities for development in horticulture than any other section of the great West. First, because of its elimate, soil and water supply. Second, because of its proximity to a splendid and ever expanding market. Good apples can-not be grown in the larger portions of Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, Southern California and the Gulf states. Roswell is about the southern limit in which first class apples ean be grown. Therefore, their market is at their door. The apples for these sections have been supplied by Colorado, Utah and the Northwestern states. The freight rates are excessive, hut here in this section the apple grower can reach these markets at about one-third of the cost in freight on apples from the great apple growing sections of the Northwest. This in itself guarantees a good profit to the grower.

The varieties of apples that seem to be par exeellenee here are: Jonathan, the Black Twig, York Imperial, both the Stayman and eommon Winesap. Of eourse, Ben Davis, Gano and Black Ben Davis are grown, but the Black Ben Davis seems to outrank the other varieties of the Ben Davis family. Some other newer apples are grown here very successfully and are being planted very extensively, such as King David, Senator, etc. The Delicious grows here almost to perfection, besides a number of other varieties, such as Arkansas Black and apples of that quality, and make a splendid showing. Such apples as Yellow Newtown and Spitzenberg do not seem to be productive in this section. Peaches of very fine quality are grown and are very prolifie, as well as other members of the peach family. Very few prunes are grown, but grapes of the foreign varieties are giving splendid results. Pecans and almonds are grown with some success. All of the small fruits grow and yield very prolifically. This section of the country demands different methods of handling fruits than the Northwest. The days are quite warm in the fall and winter, henee fruit as soon as gathered from the trees must be taken to cool sheds or cold storage. This may seem a handicap at first, but it is really a good thing. In the Northwest there are several months in the winter when it is dangerous to ship apples to Eastern markets on account of zero temperature, and to avoid this they must be shipped in the fall and placed in cold storage in the East. Here it is different. Large cold storage plants have been built, and the apples are removed to the eooling house and shipped at once, or placed in the cold storage plant and taken out and shipped as the market demands at any time of the year, which gives the fruit growers who are organized into the Roswell Apple Association, or stock company,

an opportunity to get the highest price possible for their goods with the shortest haul possible of any apple growing section in the United States.

There are very few pests so far in this vicinity. On account of the warm days during the winter the codling moth seems to change from the worm to the moth, and in my examination of orehards that I knew had eonsiderable eodling moth last year I could seareely find a living larvae this spring at the time that we usually expect themwhen the trees begin to bud-but found them coming out all winter long, and no doubt they perished, as there was nothing for them to feed upon. This accounts, in part at least, for the intermittent attacks of the codling moth in this section of the country, and at no time have they done a very serious damage as compared to the Northwest. The only seale that ean be found here is the Putnam seale (aspidiotus aneylus), sometimes mistaken for the San Jose scale, but it is not nearly so dangerous, as it is not so prolific. This seale is eommonly ealled the cottonwood seale, as it is a native of the United States and is found on the eottonwood trees wherever they grow, but it has never done very much damage to orehards. Here, however, it seems to be more prolific than any other place that I have known, and spraying will have to be done sooner or later to exterminate them, which can easily be done. Up to the present time this seetion has escaped the pear blight.

Now, with regard to apple growing in the other portions of New Mexico, apples are grown in the Rio Grande Valley with varying success. The northwestern counties in the San Juan country seem to be fairly good for the production of apples, although the country is not developed as yet, but may be in the near future. New Mexico is a very large territory and her resources are almost wholly undeveloped, and to my mind there are greater opportunities for profit along horticultural and agricultural lines than in any other portion of the United

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Horticultural News Notes From Southern Utah

By Leon D. Batchelor, Horticulturist

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m ECENTLY}$ it was the pleasure of the writer to visit the Southern part of Utah, commonly known as "Dixie." This country lies in the extreme southwestern corner of the state, in and around St. George, Washington County. The best fruit sections in this country are a great distance from the railroad-otherwise they would be much better known in the fruit world-in fact it was necessary to take a sixty or seventy-mile stage ride from the railroad to reach this "Dixie" country. The altitude here is about 2,000 feet above the sea, and after passing over a mountain range of about 7,000 feet it was like stepping from winter into summer. At this time, April 28, the roses were in full bloom, peaches were as large as olives and almonds had developed to the size of a small pullet's egg.

The climate is ideal for the production of European grapes, plums, cherries, almonds, apricots, peaches, figs and pears. Pear blight is unknown in this section of the state. In fact the writer observed a pear tree along the river bottom in one of the old towns of the county which must have been between fifty and sixty feet high. This

may sound pretty high to some of the fruit growers in the newer sections of the country, and my only regret is that I have no photograph of this tree to verify my statements. The English walnut crop was not damaged by the frost in the least, neither were the other fruits mentioned above. The first crop of alfalfa was being cut at this time, which gives one an idea of the advancement of the season. There are thousands of acres of bench land throughout this country which are admirably adapted for the production of high class fruit. The extensive mountain ranges furnish ample water supply and ideal reservoir sites for the future development of this virgin soil. The soil itself is a rich, sandy loam, which, in many cases, produces the native sage brush to the height of a horse's back. With the development of a railroad through this country there is every reason to believe that this vast area may be opened up and developed into a fruit section which will be second to none in the world. At the present time, however, the main market for the fruit is in the small towns close by, mining camps, etc.

Prune Survey of State by the Agricultural College

COMPLETE survey of the state in A relation to the prune industry is to be undertaken at once by the Oregon Agricultural College. Beginning in the southwest the staff of experts assigned to the work will work north, visiting all the prune centers and studying methods of growing, evaporating, handling and shipping the crop. In this eonnection the diseases and pests attacking prunes will be given much attention. Frank R. Brown of Camas, Washington, who graduated from the horticulture department of the Oregon Agricultural College last year, and who has since been foreman of the college experimental orchard, will go out on this survey work, and will be joined later by Mr. Frederick G. Bradford, a Harvard graduatae who has been called from the University of Maine, where he has just completed three years of speeial graduate study. The orchard survey will begin in Douglas County, and will work north from there. It will not be attempted to visit every prune orchard in the state, but the experts will go to practically all of the prune eenters and make complete surveys. The first circuit will include such points as Roseburg, Riddles, Myrtle Creek, Crane, Yoncalla, Creswell and Eugene. The second will cover the vicinity of Salem, taking in the famous Liberty-Rosedale district, Dallas, Sheridan, North Yamhill, Lafayette, Newberg and the Waldo Hills country. In Eastern Oregon a third circuit will cover Mosier, The Dalles, Freewater-Milton and the Grand Ronde Valley.

After the field survey as to methods of growing prunes has been completed the study of evaporation systems will be taken up, with investigation of the comparative merits of various types of dryers, of fuel efficiency, of the type of fruit they turn out and the general economy of handling the crop. In connection with these investigations the college will interest itself especially in a study of what is known as "prune drip," which is causing enormous losses to growers. This sort of "sugaring" sometimes causes a loss of fifty per cent. The experts are hoping to throw some light on the cause of drip to discover whether it is a matter of evaporation or from faulty methods of curing and handling the fruit. A thorough investigation and inspection of the methods of processing will be made, and the results will be published in bulletins to be issued by the college in a regular "prune survey series." As a result of this survey the college hopes to be able to take up next year the study of some particular problems and experiments in prune growing, for which a thorough knowledge of the field and the processes in present use there is necessary.

"Prunes are now selling for the highest price that they have commanded for years and years," said Professor C. I. Lewis, head of the horticulture department, discussing the coming surveys. "The field men, in connection with their surveys, will make other observations, especially as to various phases of winter killing, spots and the adaptation of varieties to

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Editor Better Fruit:

We are in receipt of your letter of September 21, and thank yon for the courtesy of putting us on your complimentary list. We have nsed your magazine constantly, not in checking up the advertisement, but for reference with our patrons. We think it the best publication of its kind we have ever seen, and are looking forward to a hig season next year through the help of its advertisement. Very truly yours, Crest Chemical Co., Seattle, Washington.

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the fruit and cost of the work. The manner of picking and the price paid

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the past six years, the method of disposing of the crop, the owner of the dryer and the amount of frost injury,

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Editor Better Fruit:
Your July number is too big and complete to mention anyway but briefly. You have put before the fruit growers in a very complete way the other side of fruit marketing. It will help enormously to a better understanding. I hope, too, that your August number will get into the dealers' hands in a very general way. They, too, have an incomplete point of vicw; perhaps not so much one sided, though, as that of the average fruit grower. You have my sincere congratulations on the idea and its development. "Better Fruit" has taken a very high place in the study of the problem of marketing our apples. With kindest regards, R. M. Winslow, Victoria, B. C.

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Boston's Superiority As A Point for Exporting

By T. S. Herbert Taylor

PURSUANT to a recent conversation I may say at once that it gives me a great deal of pleasure to take advantage of the kindly offer of your valued columns to briefly outline the superiority of Boston as a port for the exportation of apples, so that readers of "Better Fruit" may perhaps be brought to appreciate the advantages this port undoubtedly possesses. At the same time I regret that the question is not being dealt with by an abler pen than mine. Before reaching the subject I may be pardoned if I strike the personal note a moment, since I do so at the outset to show that I treat the matter with authority and speak with actual knowledge. Until recently, until I became associated with Messrs. J. & H. Goodwin, fruit brokers of Manchester, Liverpool and Hull, England, I was for many years with the Leyland White Star Lines—the steamship combine—during which time I was located at various ports in Canada and along the Atlantic seaboard. In later years I devoted the greater part of my time to developing the apple traffic. So much, and perhaps too much, about myself, but it will he seen that I am thoroughly conversant with conditions, and the methods of handling and shipping this perishable commodity at all ports, both in this country and in Europe. Now, I can say to you that no port can equal Boston for facilities. Certainly at no other port is the fruit handled to such good advantage.

First, and perhaps most important, there is the question of handling—a matter of vital interest. At Boston there is absolutely no lighterage. All teaming is also eliminated. The cars as shipped are run into a covered shed on the pier, at which the receiving steamer is loading. In other words, the ears go direct from the shipping point to alongside steamer without breaking hulk and without leaving the railway irons. The floor of the dock shed is on a level with the bottom of the car; thus the boxes are wheeled direct from the car on trucks and have simply to be moved some forty or fifty feet to the ship's hatchway. Not only does this assure a minimum of handling, but the fruit is always kept under cover and is protected from the weather, as it should always be in the fall and winter seasons, during which is is shipped. It would be a revelation to your shippers who are acquainted with conditions at other ports, New York, say, to visit the new fireproof docks at East Boston, the terminals of the Boston & Albany Railroad (New York Central lines), and see their boxed apples being taken direct from cars on trucks, as described, and then placed at the foot of the gangways to the steamer in wooden trays, or large boxes, instead of the customary rope This method of taking the boxes from the dock to the ship's hold alone avoids considerable damage, which inevitably results when boxes

are slung together. It would also be interesting for your friends to view the other large terminals of the Boston & Maine Railroad, operating with the Erie Despatch and other through connections, where at any time during the season our friends in the trade would see large quantities of apples being handled as they should be. The importance of this whole question of reducing the physical handling of the fruit to a minimum is too obvious to dwell upon further. A word here as to modus operandi where apples are held at seaboard in Boston refrigerator storage. Here also the cars can be taken under cover at the storage warehouse. and the boxes placed directly from the cars into the refrigerator compartment. I noticed in one of your late issues a cut showing a car being unloaded into the warehouse of the Boston Terminal Refrigerating Company, well illustrating the above. When these stored apples are reshipped the boxes are again loaded directly into a car, which is then switched to the docks. The plant of the cold storage warehouse mentioned is located but a stone's throw from the East Boston docks, and from this and other stores cars can be loaded and placed alongside ship at the Boston & Maine terminal or any other berth in the harbor in the course of any day upon the shortest notice.

Now, as to shipping facilities. There are three lines maintaining services to Liverpool from Boston, one of which alone—the Leyland line—dispatches during the fall and winter apple season regularly a steamer every week, sailing on Saturdays. On all of these steamers, and those of the Cunard line, refrigerating space is readily obtained. There will be weekly sailings of steamers to London, with refrigeration available, during this coming season. Every ten days it is intended to have a sailing for Manchester, these steamers also being provided with refrigeration. There are also frequent sailings for Glasgow and other ports. Nowhere do railway and steamship officials co-operate as they do in Boston in the general interests to insure prompt clearances of perishable property, hence delays are unknown. To emphasize the importance of this let us suppose a case where a car of apples has missed a Liverpool steamer, or say Manchester or London, on account of steamer just sailing, there is always another steamer on the berth with refrigerators ready, and no transfer by teams or lighterage is necessary. The car is merely replaced by a short switching around to another dock should the following steamer not sail from the same pier. It should be noted here that no expense is incurred at Boston beyond the flat railroad rate, no transfer charges of any kind, no shipping brokerage or forwarding fee. This is also true of apples stored in Boston in transit, which are afterward exported, in which case shipper only pays actual railroad freight-that is, the through rate from point of shipment to steamer

plus net storage charges.

As the advantages of the port are becoming better known from season to season, Boston is ohtaining a greater share of the apple shipments. For instance, last season many thousands of barrels were shipped from Virginia past Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York for exportation from Boston. This fact speaks for itself, and can be accounted for in no other way than that the exporters have come to appreciate the importance of better handling and the facilities affording better serivce throughout. For the reasons given above, and were it not for the fact that I am reluctant to tax your patience and space to greater length, I could cite many more; many exporters have decided to operate from Boston because of the more favorable working conditions there. Our firm, Messrs. J. & H. Goodwin, after operating in Canada and in the United States for years, exporting heavily from the various ports, has centralized its export business at Boston, and we clear everything possible from that port. We find that we can control shipments better and have greater opportunities to exercise proper supervision over consignments. In conclusion, I repeat that if our exporting friends will but look into the situation they will, in their own interests and that of the fruit, use Boston more freely when making direct export shipments.

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"See America First" Convention Held May, 1912

THE "See America First" convention to be held in Baltimore during May, 1912, is already being much talked about through the press and by the people generally. The plant of the committee in charge, appointed by Mayor Preston, and of which Mr. Henry F. Baker is chairman, is to make the display one of the greatest ever Through this Baltimore movement "See America First" is becoming a by-word everywhere. Mary, as she starts off on a fifty-mile automobile trip, calls back: "Good-bye, mamma; I am going to 'See America First.'" It is "See America First" with everybody at all hotels and the slogan is becoming general. President Taft, United States senators, governors and other prominent people have already commended the movement, and the governors of many of the states have appointed committees to arrange for the exhibit of their respective states. The display will be largely pictorial and topo-graphical, and both the Baltimore committee, which will have entire charge of the arrangements for the convention, and the Maryland committee, which will arrange for the state exhibit, are expected to get very busy in the near future now that the vacation period is over.

Listen to what one of the most talked about United States senators, Hon. Luke Lee of Tennessee, has to say about the movement in a letter to the Greater Baltimore committee: "It gives me great pleasure to indorse most cordially the object and purposes of the 'See America First' convention. I feel sure that Tennessee will be much interested in your movement when understood here, and I will be glad to do all I can to bring the convention before the people of Tennessee, so that it will be understood." "I enclose you a list of delegates I will appoint to represent Virginia at the convention," wrote Governor Mann of Virginia, "and will be glad for the committee to write each of them such particulars in reference to the matter as it may deem proper.' "I should be very glad, indeed, to be present, but my term ends in December of this year, and I have no doubt that my successor would be more in

evidence, and better in evidence than I would at that time," said Governor Willson of Kentucky. From the private secretary of Governor Glasscock of West Virginia comes this message: "I beg to say that we are holding Governor Crothers' letter in regard to this convention, and will appoint delegates at some time in the near future. The governor is not able at this time to say whether he will be able to attend the convention or not." Governor O'Neal of Alabama says: "I will take up the matter of appointment of delegates as soon as I possibly can, and will take pleasure in attending the convention myself if official duties will permit." Governor John Burke of North Dakota says: "I shall be very glad to appoint delegates to this convention, for I am heartily in sympathy with its object.' Governor Jarred T. Sanders of Louisiana says: "Later on I will appoint delegates to the 'See America First' convention. Best wishes for the success of the movement." Governor Lee Cruce of Oklahoma must be quite familiar with newspaper work. This is the way he writes Mandel Soner, press representative of the Greater Baltimore committee: "I shall give the newspaper dope to the press boys here, as per your request. I cannot tell at this time whether I shall be able to be with you in May, 1912, or not. It is impossible to foretell what an hour may bring forth." Governor Frear of Hawaii has sent this message to Governor Crothers in reply to his letter asking co-operation in the "See America First" movement: "I took the matter up at once with several organi-

NEW PLANT PATHOLOGIST

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The Oregon Agricutural College has just recently added to its staff of plant pathology experts Mr. F. D. Bailey, a graduate of the botany department at the University of Wisconsin, whose specialty is plant diseases. Mr. Bailey takes his degree of master of science at Wisconsin this summer. His study of "A Fuserium Disease of Cabbage," upon which he wrote an able thesis, is considered an especially meritorious piece of work, and he is thought to be a distinct addition to the strength of the department.

zations in this city which would naturally be interested in the movement, with which movement, I hardly need to add, I am in entire sympathy. Nothing definite has as yet been done." Harken to the words of a great newspaper man, Mr. Harry Chandler, treasurer and assistant general manager of The Times, Los Angeles, California: "The 'See America First' convention deserves the support of the entire country, for there are many people who spend their good money abroad seeing sights which in no way compare with the beauties of our own land. It is doubtful whether or not I shall have the pleasure of being in Baltimore during this convention, but assure you that if I am in the East at the time will be glad to visit Baltimore. You are correct when you say that 'Los Angeles must be one of the garden spots of the world.' It is, indeed, God's country, and is the most rapidly growing city in the world." To the Greater Baltimore committee he says: "We had, of course, learned of the municipal and state development campaign which is under way to bring Baltimore and Maryland to the front, and think it is a very worthy undertaking and wish you success." H. M. Woir, editor of the Municipal Development Magazine, Bloomington, Illinois, says: "I think that the movement is of vast importance, and personally have advocated many times to friends and acquaintances the great opportunity of interesting travel that this country affords. I have had the good fortune to have traveled in practically every country of the civilized globe, but at the same time never lost sight of the fact that in seeing the entire part of the United States I was educating myself along lines that other countries did not offer. After seeing these strong commendations of the movement by such prominent men, Mr. Edwin L. Quarles, director of the Greater Baltimore committee, said: "The world has always placed a premium upon men with constructive minds. Solomon's greatest work was building a temple. Our work now is to make the 'See America First' convention the greatest thing that ever happened."—Contributed.

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Storage-in-Transit and the Box Apple Industry

THE apple season of 1910 and 1911 will always be remembered as being remarkable for the extremely high prices paid for barreled apples, which have been the highest in the history of the apple industry, and the extremely low prices for box apples, which have been the lowest in the history of the apple industry. The demand at all times has been dull and dragging on boxes and strong and active on barrels. This in spite of the fact that the quality of box apples has always been superior to barreled apples. What is the reason of this paradox? Can it be possible that the more scientific and careful the growing and packing of apples become the less they are appreciated? Has the expert packing of apples, which has reached its highest development in the apple producing sections of the Pacific slope only had the result of making the public prefer the rough-and-ready, slap-dash packing of barreled apples, especially when it is known that the great majority of these barreled apples contain, with the exception of those on the face or top of the barrel—apples suitable only for cooking? No, there is a sensible reason for the fact that box apples have not been wanted and have ruled at low prices. The reason lies in the method of distribution of the two classes of apples. The barrels have been shipped to every market in the country, large and small. There has been a strong demand for them in England and Germany. Western New York fruit houses have had a steady demand and drain on them from the West and South, and from the East and from the lands across the sea. There was about an equal quantity of apples packed in barrels and boxes; the barrels are being consumed in a thousand places, the box crop practi-cally was marketed in two places— Chicago and New York. Of course, there was some small amount of boxes shipped abroad, especially Newtowns, and some few cities like Philadelphia and Boston had a small amount of boxes, but the markets of New York and Chicago were at all times oversupplied. The newspapers were filled with flashing advertisements on the part of a few dealers stating the hundreds of thousands of boxes that their firm would have the distinction of handling. One Chicago house blazoned forth to the world that they had disposed of a thousand cars. The impression was given that the quantity was so unlimited on the part of every large dealer in Chicago and New York that every smaller dealer shut out the temptation of investing in them.

This absolute lack of intelligent distribution came about through the rigid rules of the railroads regarding freight rates on box apples. One dollar per hundred is the rate on a carload of box apples, whether shipped to Denver, Chicago or New York, and when stored at one point or the other it cannot be reshipped without paying another freight rate. If a storage in transit

privilege should be allowed on shipments of box apples there would at once develop a system of distribution which would scatter the crop of box apples all over the country; it would place them in consumption where they were most wanted. The crop of box apples, amounting to twenty million boxes, is transported in a month and a half, but it requires nine months to consume it, even though it should be scattered in every city, large and small. By the storage in transit privilege is meant the privilege to ship the car to any warehouse that is desired and later on when the owner desires to market that car of apples to ship it to its ultimate destination and pay for the total services, the through rate from the initial point of shipment to the ultimate destination, and a switching charge in addition, because that is the only extra service in addition to the through haul that the railroad has rendered in granting this privilege. It is impossible for the owner of a considerable amount of box apples, whether he is a grower or an association of growers, or a merchant who has invested his money in their output, to tell what market during the coming nine months after the crop is gathered will be a desirable market for his apples. He can tell less because it is a new industry and only cities of the



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[Editor's Note—We desire to call the attention of our readers to the statisties in this issue, most of which were collected by Mr. Skinner, authority being given in each instance to the source. These statisties will be of inestimable value to apple growers throughout the country, and while these statistics apparently cover but a few pages the time required to get all together has covered a period of three months.]

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With the very great increase in the production of the orchards of the Far West, amounting last year to twenty million boxes, it is essential for the prosperity of the growers in the Far West, or any person who desires any part in that industry, whether railroads or warehousemen or merchants, to do a lot of missionary work in scattering the crop and introducing it to the cities of smaller size and the European markets. A lot of this missionary work has already been done, and the crop would flow to cities of the second class as well as the first class if the railroads would see to it that a flexible method of distribution was permitted by granting the storage-intransit privilege. The greatest benefit would go to the railroads between Chicago and New York. In that district lies half the wealth of the country, and half the crop of box apples should be there distributed. With the exception of one railroad, the Erie, the other transcontinental lines from Chicago to the East have next to nothing of this traffic. The storage-in-transit privilege would give to them a very large share of this traffic. It is of the utmost importance, therefore, that all growers' associations and all apple dealers should bring this information to the attention of the head officials of railroads-it will help them more than it will help the general industry. In addition, it is a matter of importance to all persons interested in the apple industry, whether in barrels or boxes, because if the box industry is placed upon a healthy and profitable basis the capital available for investment in apples will flow toward that part of the industry and leave the barreled apples open to a natural competition, but not to the excessive competition that now exists.—Contributed.

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Oregon Apple Show and Horticultural Society

By F. W. Power, Secretary

THE management of the Oregon State Horticultural Society has set November 15 to 17, inclusive, for its twenty-sixth annual meeting in Portland, Oregon. The program will be unusually strong, and will consist of live, practical topics, handled by men whose experience entitles their opinions to respect. In order that the program may be made as nearly as possible responsive to the needs of every grower, members are invited to mail the secretary any question they would like brought before the meeting for answer or discussion.

The fruit show, which in recent years has become such a prominent feature at the annual meetings, will it is believed surpass all previous shows put up by the society. It is proposed this year to make a special effort to give dried fruits, and especially the dried prune, the prominence to which its importance entitles it. This is as it should be because the financial returns from evaporated prunes in Oregon equals those derived from the apple. The management is especially desirous of emphasizing the importance of the proper curing of prunes, as on the proper curing the stability of the industry largely depends. To this end they will offer exceedingly attractive premiums for the best cured evaporated prunes, and they ask that all growers

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It has been decided to throw open competition in all classes of exhibits (not otherwise specially limited to some district) to growers from other states. It is expected and hoped that our neighbors of Southern Washington especially will respond to this opportunity. The management this year, in place of trying to secure car-loads, is offering about the same amount on smaller exhibits of one hundred or fifty-box lots, thinking that more can be induced to compete for such prizes. All premiums this year will well repay anyone taking a prize for bringing their fruit. The Oregon State Horticultural Society, in the twenty-six years of its existence, has performed a valuable work for Oregon horticulture. Its annual meetings and fruit shows should receive the hearty support of all fruit growers of Oregon,



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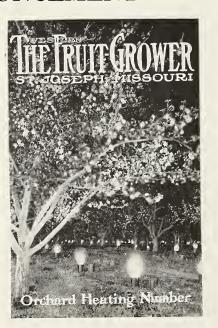
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Plate exhibits; total prizes, \$54.
No. 51. Best exhibit of apples on plates. First prize, \$5; second prize, \$2.50; not less than five varieties.

Single plate exhibits; total prizes \$43.50.

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Single plate exhibits; total prizes \$43.50. First prize, \$1; second prize, 50 cents. Twentynine prizes will be offered on single varieties on plates. No. 52, Arkansas Black; No. 53, Baldwin, No. 54, Beu Davis; No. 55, Gano; No. 56, Golden Russet; No. 57, Gravenstein; No. 58, Grimes Golden; No. 59, Hydes King; No. 62, Northern Spy; No. 63, Ortley; No. 64, Red Cheek Pippin; No. 65, Rome Beauty; No. 66, Roxbury Russet; No. 67, Spitzenberg; No. 68, Stark; No. 69, Swaar; No. 70, Talman Sweet; No. 71, Vanderpool; No. 72, Vandevere; No. 73, Wagener; No. 74, Wealthy; No. 75, White Winter Pearmain; No. 76, Winter Banana; No. 77, Yellow Bellflower; No. 78, Yellow Newtown; No. 79, York Imperial.

No. 80. A diploma will be given for meritorious display for best plate of any other commercal variety not mentioned.

No. 81. Largest apple. First prize, \$2; second prize, \$1.

No. 82. Judging contest of apple varieties; total prize, \$10. This contest will be open to the students of the Oregon Agricultural College, and to any grower or individual except the judges. This contest will be in complete charge of Professor C. I. Lewis and assistants of the Oregon Agricultural College. A large number of plates of sundry varieties will be on exhibit without names attached, and the party who can give correct names to the largest number will be declared winner. All growers are urged to bring plates of as many varieties as possible to enter in this

contest; also if they have any variety and are not sure of the mame bring it along; this is your chance to find out what it is. Also bring new and promising seedlings. Five apples constitute a plate. First prize, \$7.50; second prize, \$2.50.

Pears—No. 83. Three-box lots; total prizes, \$35. First prize, \$25; second prize, \$10; third prize, bronze medal.

Single box lots; total prizes, \$57.50. First prize, \$5; second prize, \$2.50. Five prizes of \$7.50 will be offered on the following: No. 84, B. d'Anjou; No. 85, Comice; No. 86, B. Clairgeau; No. 87, P. Barry; No. 88, Winter Nells. In addition to the cash prizes on single boxes of pears each one winning a first prize will receive one Palmer apple picking bucket, offered by the Palmer Bucket Co. of Hood River.

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Pears on Plates—No. 89. Best exhibit on plates. First prize, \$5; second prize, \$2.50. This exhibit must consist of not less than three varieties.

Single plate exhibits; total prizes, \$7.50. Five prizes on single plate exhibits will be offered. No. 90, B. d'Anjou; No. 91, B. Clairgeau; No. 92, Comiee; No. 93, P. Barry; No. 94, Winter Nelis.

No. 95, A diploma will be awarded as meritorious display (where only one entry is made, and as first and second prize where two or nore exhibit same variety) for best exhibit of any other commercial variety not mentioned above.

Nuls; total prizes, \$7.50. No. 96. Best

mentioned above.

Nuts; total prizes, \$7.50. No. 96. Best exhibit of nuts. First prize, \$5; second prize, \$2.50. Five prizes are offered for the following (first prize, bronze medal; second prize, diploma): No. 97, Franquette Walnut; No. 98, Mayette Walnut; No. 99, Praeparturien Walnut; No. 100, Parisienne Walnut; No. 101, Barcellona Filbert; No. 102, Du Chilli Filbert.

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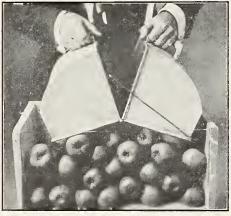
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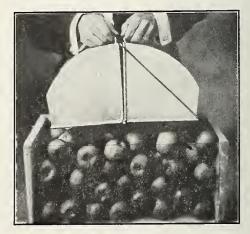
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Fourth National Apple Show November 23 to 30

By August Wolf

FIVE hundred dollars in gold and a massive silver loving cup, suitably engraved, presented by the International Apple Shippers' Association, will be awarded to the exhibitor of the best packed carload entered at the Fourth National Apple Show in Spokane, November 23 to 30. The total value of the prizes and premiums is \$20,000. The judges will award prizes of \$300 to firsts and \$100 to seconds in carload contests on each of these varieties:

Jonathan, McIntosh Red, Rome Beauty, Spitzenberg, Wagener, Winesap, Yellow Newtown; also on the best mixed car of standard winter varieties, each to consist of at least fifty boxes, and the best car of any standard variety not named in the foregoing. A special premium of \$200 is offered for the most artistically decorated entry in the carload class. "The trustees think this arrangement of the carload prizes will be more satisfactory to all the growers

and ditsricts than was possible by the terms of the championship contest, which was heretofore a feature," said Harry J. Neely, first vice-president of the National Apple Show, Inc. "The championship prize was \$1,000. It is possible for an exhibitor to receive a similar amount besides gaining three distinct honors: Winning first on pack, first in his class on variety and first for decorative features. Another thing is that certain varieties will not be forced into competition under a handicap because of the higher quality rating of other apples. The carload contest calls for entries of 630

test calls for entries of 630 boxes, or 210 barrels. The exhibitor must be the owner, lessee or authorized agent of the land where the apples were grown and give a sworn statement when making entry that the apples were grown in one orchard. The judges will consider quality, color, size, uniformity, condition and pack in scoring to make the awards.

Another competition is to bring out originality in design and attractiveness of display, not necessarily of a commercial value; is open to associations, districts, societies, lodges or unions having a membership of more than five persons. Two hundred dollars will be awarded for the most unique and artistic display, the second prize being one hundred dollars. Wide latitude is allowed in designs and decorations, and birds, animals, buildings, maps and other features may be worked out in the scheme. There also will be a similar contest open to individuals, the first prize being \$200, with \$100 for the second. These displays will be passed upon by a committee of special judges, who will consider only the merits of the unique and artistic sides of the exhibits. As an added inducement the judges will award premiums of \$50 each to the five contestants whose displays rank closest to the winners of first and second prizes. One hundred dollars to the first and \$50 to second is offered for general collective displays of apples grown on irrigated land and shown by commercial clubs, associations, unions, counties or districts, but not by individuals. The same provisions apply for the best general collective display of apples grown on nonirrigated land. The first prize is \$100, the second being \$50. Fifteen competitions are announced in the ten-box classes, tak-



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Editor Better Fruit:

The Fourth Annual Exposition of the National Horticultural Congress will be held in St. Joseph, Missouri, November 23 to December 3, 1911, inclusive. St. Joseph is a very wealthy city of from 90,000 to 100,000 people, and its location for an exposition of this character is ideal. They have a mammoth new auditorium building three times as large as the one at Council Bluffs, and will be able to properly house and care for an exposition many times larger than any of the previous ones. The premium eomnitree will soon be able to send you the preliminary premium list. I can assure you now, however, that when you receive the official premium list that it will be very attractive to you. The educational features will be about the same as last year. The attendance will be four times greater. Now, to get down to business. I want you to get in touch with your growers

and have a display there equal to, or better if possible, than the one you had at Council Bluffs last year. I don't know of anyone in your state or district who can do this better than you, and you will realize the necessity of prompt action. The exposition committee very much desires to have all of the old exhibitors take part in the coming exposition at St. Joseph. Won't you kindly advise me at once regarding prospects? Mr. Frederick Neudorff of St. Joseph, Missouri, is the president of the local organization. I am to be the superintendent and corresponding secretary. Address me at Council Bluffs until October 1, 1911. Sincerely yours, Freeman L. Reed, Superintendent National Horticultural Congress, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

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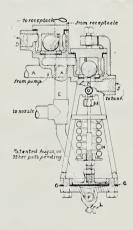
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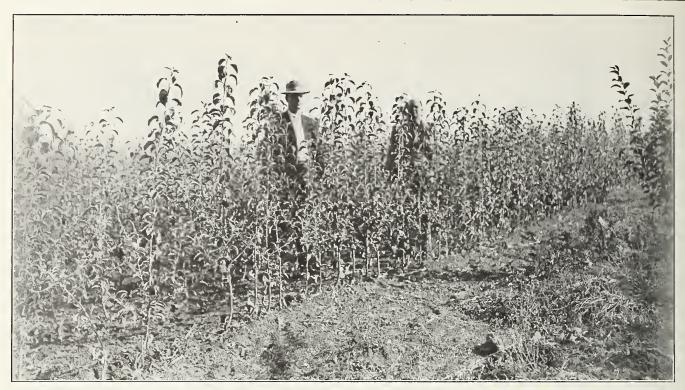


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The Cove, Oregon, Cherry Fair

By George Rieben, Judge

O^N the nincteenth of July last there was held in the town of Cove a cherry fair which doubtless excelled any similar exhibition of fruit ever held in Eastern Oregon. The principal feature, of course, was the cherries, but there were also several other very interesting items which aided in keeping things alive all day, such as musical selections, a speech by "Jerry" Rusk, speaker of the House, baby show and a baseball game. Lunch was served at noon, and one could get all of the free cherries that one wished. The cherry exhibit proper consisted of about one hundred boxes Bings, seventy-five Royal Ann, twenty Black Republicans, some Lamberts, some pickled in jars and eighty boxes of mixed varieties used in making pretty designs of various descriptions. These boxes were set on slanting shelves, as in every large fair. They were all packed very neatly and with about a half-inch bulge in the middle, and any of them would have stood shipment very well. The package used was the standard double ten-pound wooden box. It is all the more gratifying for us to know that all, or nearly all, of them were placed upon exhibition in identically the same condition as they were to be placed upon the market, for they were packed with that intention. The competition for the ribbons was exceedingly close, especially in the Bing and

Royal Ann class, and it showed that the growers took much interest in the class of fruit which they put out. After this each of the four largest towns in the Grand Ronde Valley is to have an annual fair—Elgin the apple fair, La Grande the county fair, Union the stock show and Cove the cherry fair. This was the first fair under the new arrangement, and considering everything it was a success, and the people of Cove are to be commended for the way in which they entertained their visitors.

Scores of premiums to winners at the Fourth National Apple Show have been offered by various manufacturers of orchard implements, publishers of fruit journals, makers of apple boxes and others directly or indirectly interested in the development of the apple business. Among the prizes offered are the following: Number of pruning knives, International Tool Company of Detroit; Edgemont lid press, H. Platt & Sons of Como, Montana; 200 Bolton orchard heaters, Frost Prevention Company of San Francisco; prize to be selected from the Inland Empire Biscuit Company; fifty subscriptions to "Better Fruit," E. H. Shepard, the editor; fifty subscriptions to the "Northwest Horticulturist," C. A. Tonneson of Tacoma; ten two and a halfpounds tins of "Black Leaf," Kentucky Tobacco Products Company; Acme orchard harrow, John Deere Plow Company; fifty buckets, Palmer Bucket Company, Hood River, Oregon; extension frame orchard disc harrow, Parlin & Orendorff Plow Company, Portland; loving cup, A. C. Rulofson, Pacific Coast sales agent for the J. C. Pearson Company of Boston; orchard disc harrow, International Harvester Company of America; one thousand fruit boxes, Washington Mill Company of Spokane; two orchard ladders, Oregon Ladder & Manufacturing Company; improved orchard machine, Light Draft Harrow Company of Marshalltown, Iowa; lightning fruit picker, Lightning Fruit Picker Company.—Spokane Chronicle.

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Dakota, Nebraska and Minnesota.

The "Governors' Special" will be made up at Omaha immediately after the big land show that is to be held there, and will visit all of the important cities in the East. The committees in each state having the matter in charge will send their most comprehensive exhibits to Omaha, where each will become an integral part of the complete exhibit of the resources of the West, for the purpose of making a tour of the East. Among the cities to be visited are Omaha, Chicago, Pittsburg, New York City, Washington, D. C., and St. Paul, and from the interest already created in the forthcoming visit of the train in those cities the tour will be fraught with exceptional opportunities for creating an exodus from the crowded centers of the East to the boundless stretches of the West. Each state participating is called upon to contribute \$1,000 as its share of the expenses of the trip in addition to furnishing its exhibit. On account of the large number of states included in the monster exhibit the individual expense is very low, and never before have the states of the West had the opportunity of advertising their resources so thoroughly in such a promising field at so little expense. On this account it is hoped that each state will not delay in the matter of arranging for its participation.

Before disbanding at St. Paul, the "Governors' Special" will exhibit at all of the big land shows and fairs in the East, thereby assuring that the resources of the West will be thor-oughly exhibited to the farmers of the Eastern states. In view of the fact that the East has suffered from a disastrous drought during the past summer while the West, and especially the Northwest, is enjoying a harvest of more than ordinary magnitude, the present is an opportune time to display the agricultural and horticultural prosperity of the Northwest to the drought stricken populace of the Middle West and the

Ex-Governor James H. Brady of Idaho, president of the Western Development Association, under whose auspices the trip will be made, is the orig-

inator of the plan, and to him is due the credit of the immense success that it has met. In the beginning the project was regarded as being one of too great proportions to be accomplished, and but little encouragement was given Mr. Brady, but a brief time had elapsed, however, until there was a general recognition of the advantages to be gained by such a trip, and as a result each state in the West has taken up the proposition with enthusiasm. Governor M. E. Hay of Washington has wired Reilly Atkinson of Boise, who has been appointed manager of the train, stating that Washington would participate and that he would be one of the number of Western governors who would be on the "Governors' Special." Washington is the first state that has served official notice of its participation in the movement destined to give such an impetus to the development of the great Northwest, but it is thought that all will have served similar notice in a few days. President Brady and Manager Atkinson left on Monday for Omaha to complete the final details of the project.—Contributed.

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any provision of this section shall forfeit to the people of this state a sum of five dollars for every barrel put up, or made or used in violation of such provision." And no barrel marked "short" will be premitted to be used for the sale of apples, pears or quinces in the City of New York. "Sec. 395a. No person shall manufacture, construct, sell, offer for sale or give away any dry measure or liquid measure, nor any barrel, pail, basket, vessel, container, intended to be used in the purchase or sale of any commodity or article of merchandise which shall not be so constructed as to conform with the standards provided by statute. Nor shall any person use any barrel, cask, pail, basket, vessel or container in the purchase or sale of any commodity or article of merchandise which does not conform to the standards provided by law, under a penalty of one hundred dollars for each offense."

Section 5, chapter 20, consolidated laws, general business laws of the State of New York, provides as follows: "Sec. 5. Units of Capacity. The units or standards of measure of capacity for liquids from which all other measures shall be derived and ascertained shall be the standards designated in this article. The barrel is equal to thirty-one and one-half gallons, and two barrels are a hogshead. The parts of the liquid gallon shall be derived from the gallon by continual division by the number two, so as to make half gallons, quarts, pints, half pints and gills. The peck, half peck, quarter peck, quart, pint and half pint for measuring commodities which are not liquids shall be derived from the half bushel by successively dividing that measure by two. The standard of measure for buying and selling strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, currants, gooseberries, plums, cherries, cranberries and other small fruits shall be the quart, which shall contain, when even full, sixty-seven and two-tenths cubic inches; the pint, which, when even full, shall contain thirty-three and six-tenths cubic inches; the half pint, which, when even full, shall contain sixteen and eight-tenths cubic inches; multiples of the quart, which, when

even full, shall contain like multiples of sixty-seven and two-tenths cubic inches." Apples, pears or quinces, when sold in boxes, crates or containers other than as specified in sections 5 and 9 of the general business law, or section 395a of the code of ordinances. shall be plainly marked or labeled on the outside of the box, crate or container with the net weight or measure of the contents.

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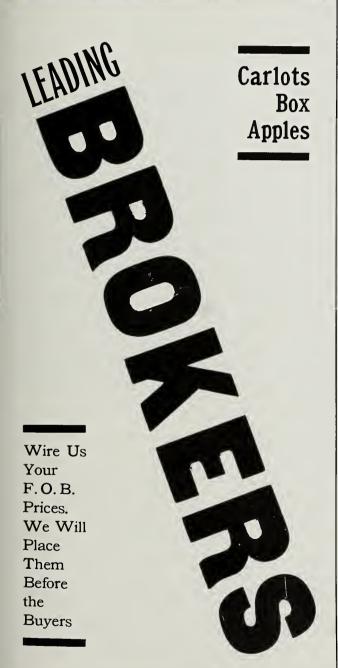
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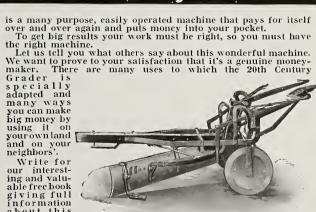
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be in session during the American Apple Exposition, which will also be held in Denver. Apple men in all sections of the country recognize that this organization is fast developing into an important association of apple growers, shippers and dealers, and that it may become the leading one of its kind on the American continent. It was organized last December in Denver and will be less than one year old when the second session convenes. Among the Eastern men who have been urged by their friends as candidates for president are N. G. Gibson of Chicago, C. C. Clemons of Kansas City, J. Howard Detwiller of Philadelphia and E. P. Loomis of New York City. The West-ern man most prominently spoken of at this time as a candidate for president is Elliott M. Sly of Kennewick, Washington.

While Colorado would like the honor of naming the next president the apple men of this state are satisfied with the honor of Denver being the birthplace of the congress, and they realize that the organization was created for the benefit of the apple industry of the entire American continent. Consequently Colorado wants every apple district in the country represented, and the delegates from this state can be depended upon to support any policy that will aid in building up the congress and that will make it a power for good and effective work in the

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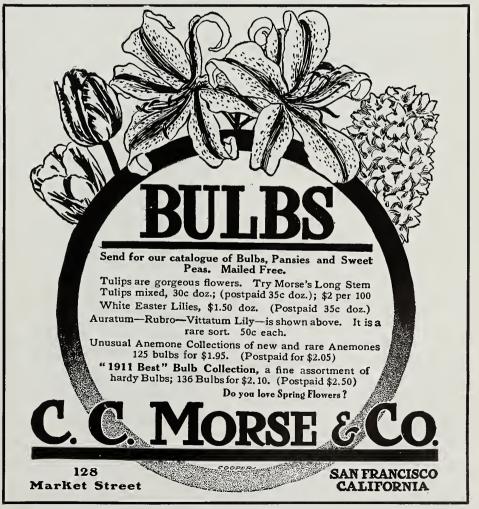
and means for securing profitable legislation for the industry; to organize and maintain a "Transportation and Railroad Rates Bureau"; to maintain a "Continental Information Bureau on Crops, Markets and Fruit Movements," and to promote and conduct apple expositions in connection with the congress; and

Whereas, there are numerous matters of importance which appeal mutually to all growers and dealers interested in the apple industry, especially as to the development of American orchard lands, the care of the orchards, fighting insect pests, fighting frosts, standardizing and systematizing the grading and packing rules, planning and securing legislation intended to benefit the industry; securing equitable freight and express rates for the shipment of our apples to market; planning better distributing and marketing, advertising our apple industry to secure new and desirable settlers for our apple lands, better immigration rates from the congested centers of population and from the less productive farm lands of other sections, and advertising the food values of the apple for the purpose of increasing the consumption of this "king of fruits"; and

Whereas, article 3, section 1, of our constitution provides for annual meetings; and

Whereas, the executive committee of this organization has decided that the second annual session of this organization shall be held in the City of Denver, Colorado, on the 14th, 15th and 16th days of November, A. D. 1911, and have executed an agreement to that effect with The American Apple Exposition Association, which will hold a national apple show during the same week.

Now, therefore, in accordance with our constitution and with such decision and agreement, I hereby call such second annual session for the above days, and request the appointment of the number of delegates provided by the constitution in Article 7, Section 1, as follows, to-wit: The governor of each state to appoint fifteen delegates; the mayor of each town or city having 500 population or less to appoint one delegate; the mayor of each town or city having more than 500 population one delegate for each additional 500, provided that not more than ten delegates shall be appointed from any one town or city; the county commissioners of each county to appoint two delegates; the president of each regularly organized horticultural society to appoint three delegates; the president of each commercial body to appoint one delegate; providing also that the president of the United States, the governor of each state, the members of the congress of the United States, the horticulturist and the entomologist of each agricultural college and all members of state



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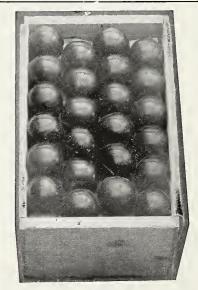
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boards of horticulture shall be honorary delegates to this convention. None but regularly appointed delegates will be recognized in the congress, but it is provided, however, that any person interested in the apple industry may become a permanent delegate or member by paying the initiation fee of two dollars and the annual dues of three dollars; and it is further provided that fruit growers' associations, fruit companies, fruit jobbing concerns and all other corporations interested in the apple industry shall be entitled to delegates and memberships as follows: If capitalized at less than \$50,000, on payment of \$25 annual dues, three delegates; if capitalized at \$50,000 or more, on payment of \$50 annual dues, five delegates. Delegates appointed shall be supplied with credentials from the authority which they represent, and no delegates should be appointed from towns or cities not interested in the apple industry.

In accordance with article 5, section 2, of the constitution, and in order that the meeting shall have a definite program, that the meeting may be properly advertised, the delegates suitably entertained and the objects of the congress accomplished, I hereby announce the following board of local managers to have charge of all local matters connected with the convention: B. F. Coombs, chairman Apple Congress executive committee; Arthur Williams, secretary Colorado State Horticultural Society; Clyde H. Smith, general man-

ager Intermountain Fruit Journal; W. F. R. Mills, secretary Denver Convention League; J. W. Kelley, D. & R. G. attorney; Thorndike Deland, secretary Denver Chamber of Commerce; S. F. Dutton, proprietor the Albany Hotel; George E. Collisson, secretary Denver Retail Association; Frank Adams, president Colorado lce and Storage Co.; H. G. Wolff, nurseryman;

Mrs. Lute Wilcox, Denver Field and Farm. It is desired that the names and addresses of delegates appointed be forwarded to Clinton L. Oliver, secretary, suite 210-12 Chamber of Commerce Building, Denver, Colorado, as soon as appointed, so that they may be communicated with by the board of local managers prior to the convening of the congress.



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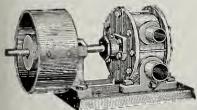
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T a recent meeting of St. Louis fruit A jobbers committees were appointed to make arrangement for the reception and entertainment of the Western Fruit Jobbers' Assocation of America when they come to St. Louis for their annual convention on January 3, 4 and 5 next. James W. Corcoroan, president of the St. Louis Fruit and Produce Exchange, was chosen chairman of the executive committee to arrange for the convention. Other members are J. E. Stewart, vice chairman; W. Ernest Reeves, secretary, and Manley G. Richmond, R. H. Pennington, Charles Devoto. A hotel committee, consisting of J. E. Stewart, James W. Corcoran and Manley G. Richmond, was also appointed. They have selected the Planters Hotel as convention headquarters, and many of the visitors will also be quartered

there. The entire parlor floor will be turned over to the jobbers for convention purposes. A finance committee, consisting of H. M. Smith, F. G. Haueiser, R. H. Whyte and J. H. Russell, was also chosen, and lost no time in commencing work. Within a few minutes they had \$1,000 pledged of the \$5,000 which they expect to raise for the entertainment of the visitors and their ladies. Entertainment and reception committees and a committee of ladies will be appointed later. Because of the central location of St. Louis this convention will without a doubt be one of the largest ever held by the association. Hotel reservations are already being made both with the Planters Hotel direct and through the secretary of the committees at the Fruit and Produce Exchange.

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T Niagara Falls in August, 1910, blossoms were carved, and the names Mr. L. K. Sutton of Columbus of the states from which the wood came were also carved upon the respective pieces. Running entirely around each end of the head were carved wreaths of apple leaves. About the handle was a silver band, and engraved thereon were the words, "William L. Wagner, Detroit, 1911."

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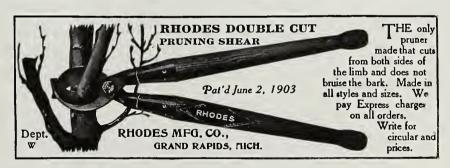
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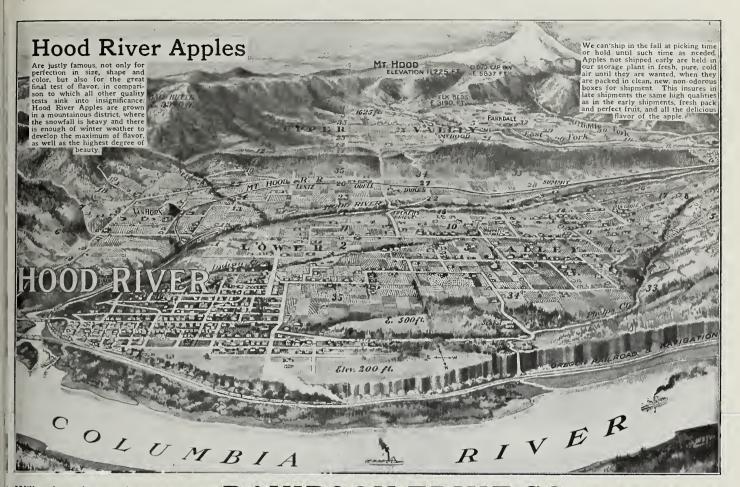
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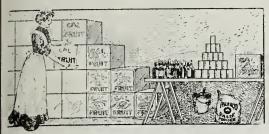
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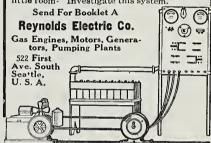
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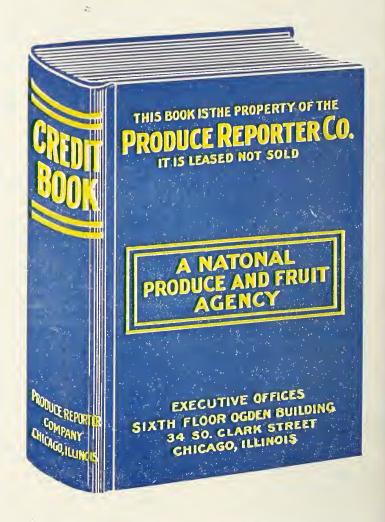
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